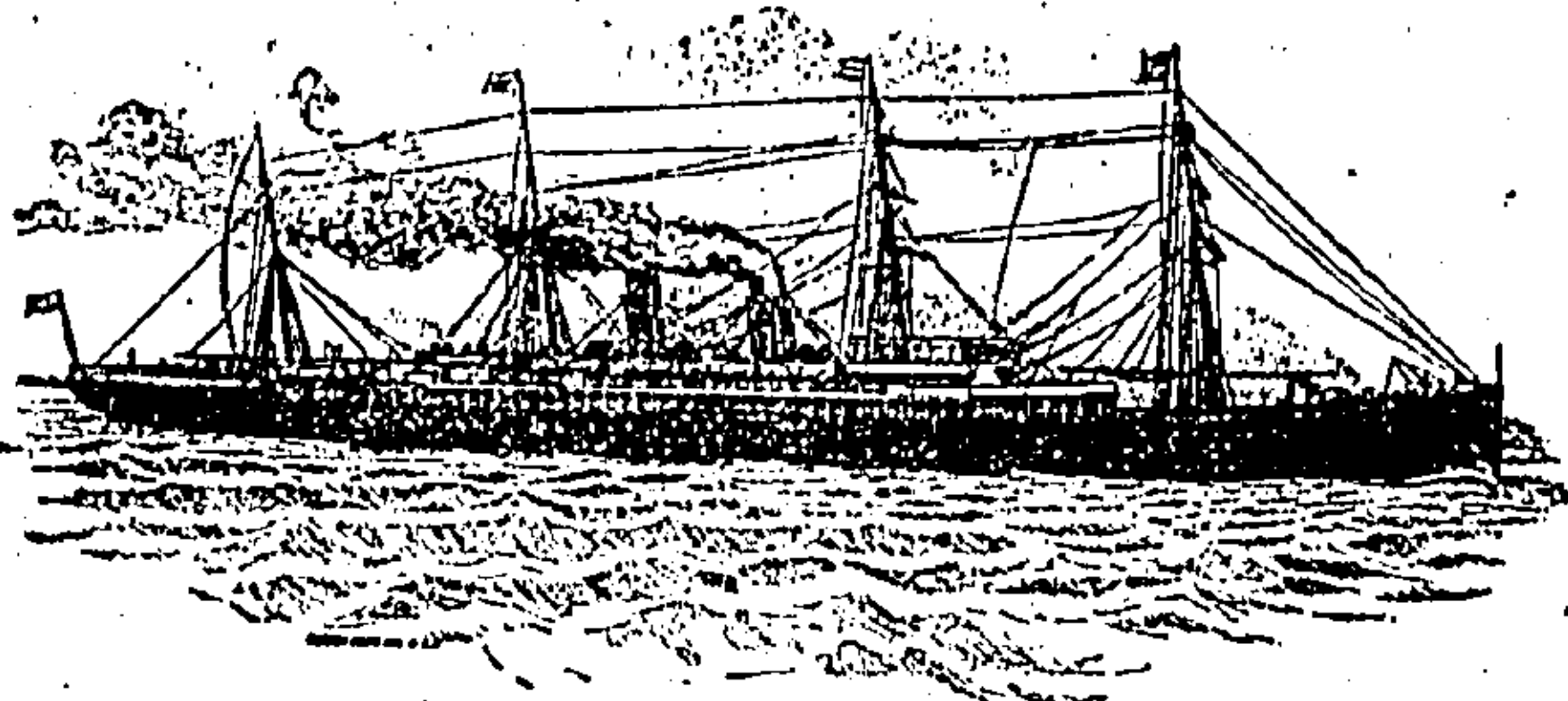


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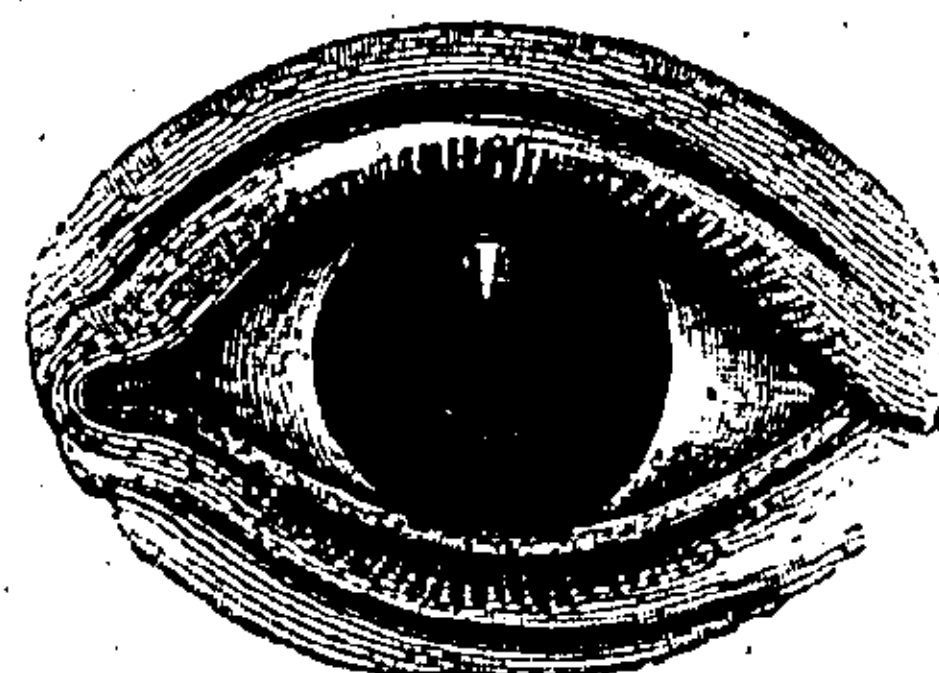
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J. M. BECK,
Superintendent.

METHODS OF REFORM IN
CHINA AND THEIR
NET RESULTS.

BY DR. GILBERT REID.

II.

(1.) Early in the year 1900, a Decree was issued to the Viceroy and Governors of all the Provinces, calling for suggestions as to the best methods of reforms to be carried out with peace should be concluded with the foreign Powers. In less than three months, the Court at Peking had received so many replies with such a variety of suggestions, many of them conflicting, that it was found necessary to organize a new Official Department, to deal especially with all propositions of reform, and to be called the Ministry of Government Affairs, or inappellably, the Board of Regency. This Board is still in existence, but as it really consists of the leading officials who are in the cabinet, or who are prominent Viceroy, it seems to occupy an insignificant place in the Departments of the Government. There have, however, been presented by that body to the Throne a few important memorials, which may be said to represent the prevailing ruling sentiment.

Among the most important suggestions that have been made by the provincial authorities, the combined memorial of Viceroy Liu Kun-yi and Chang Chih-tung stands supreme; it is in fact, a comprehensive treatise on reform worthy to take its place alongside of Viceroy Chang Chih-tung's book *Learn*. Viceroy Yun Shih-kai has also presented important memorials which have carried great weight. Several memorials presented by the late Viceroy Li Canton, T'ao Mu, have also contained worthy suggestions, but as some of them were not equally pleasing to the Court, they have been ignored or rejected.

(2.) On May 28th, in the same year, a long Decree was issued, ordering that the six Boards sweep away their abuses and extortions, and do away with the bondage of precedents and ancient regulations, and "to conduct the various business of State as may seem best under the circumstances." It was also ordered that the work of the Boards should be conducted by those who are called secretaries, and not by those who are called clerks, lower in rank than the secretaries, but having really possessed the greatest power. These clerks have generally kept the records at their own houses, have been the ones who have known all the precedents, and whose good-will has always been essential, if any business with their superiors was to be carried through successfully according to rule and routine. So far as I know, some of the official posts in the Boards have been given up, while the persons who have filled those posts have generally been in the position under other names in the same Board. In fact these men are the only permanent staff of the Boards, and without their help the business of the Boards could not be carried out satisfactorily. As to sweeping away the abuses of the Boards, I would conclude that there is as much abuse today as there ever was. As to giving up past precedents and old regulations, there has been some slight change; there is not as much slavish adherence to precedent as has characterized the Chinese Government in the past.

(3.) On June 3rd, 1901, an Edict was issued ordering that special examinations be arranged for officials in the Provinces, who sought official preferment. The Edict added, "We, mother and son, are united in heart, and are equally anxious to obtain able and good men to assist in the reformation of the country." On July 2nd, another Edict appeared that such examinations be held to select good men for office; and on July 9th, the provincial authorities were directed to carry the matter out thoroughly. These special examinations have only been adopted in a few Provinces, by Viceroy Yuan Shih-kai in the Province of Chihli by Governor Chou Fu in the Province of Shantung, by the Viceroy Chang Chih-tung and, perhaps in an unimportant way in a few of the other provinces. The examinations have generally consisted of writing essays on historical and political themes. While not much has been accomplished in this way thus far, there is no reason why this system of examination should not develop with the growth of education, until in time there shall be a regular system of civil service examination throughout all the Provinces.

(4.) On the same day as the previous Edict, June 3rd, another Edict was also issued to all the high Provincial Authorities to abolish unnecessary secretaries and followers in the Provincial yamens, and for the regular officials to personally and faithfully conduct their official business. So far as we know, this order has been left to the caprice of each individual official, and as a rule the crowds of hangers-on at the yamens, with their red-tasseled hats, have not been diminished. We noticed the other day that Governor Chao, in assuming his new post in Hunan, began to clear out the useless attendants connected with the Governor's yamen, but I fancy that in a short time new attendants will appear, to take the place of those who have been dismissed. Now and then in the past, without any special Edict, there have been Governors who have really believed in the honest and economical administration of office, but such have been the exception. Nothing, however, is more necessary than that one who has nothing to do should not be connected with any yamen. It is always these hangers-on who nourish bribery, extortion and all forms of knavery, causing every yamen to be looked upon by the Chinese people as a tiger's den.

(5.) On June 5th, 1901, and Edict appeared, approving of the memorial from Sun Chian, one of the older and more pure-minded officials at the Capital, and a former tutor of the Emperor. He himself, though holding the highest literary rank, proposed that all members of the Hanlin College should devote themselves to practical matters and studies, such as

history, politics, and even the sciences, rather than spend their time in merely writing poetry and old-fashioned essays. This was really a remarkable proposal from such a man, supposed to represent the old-fashioned school, though patriotic in spirit, and inclined to the adoption of improvements in administering the present Government. This proposal was ordered to be carried into effect, but up to the present nothing has been done except in so far as a few members of the Hanlin with progressive tendencies, have, of their own accord, begun the study of new branches of learning. Nevertheless, it may be possible for this proposal to be carried out in such a way through courses of reading and lectures, that men standing highest in the literary excellencies of the Empire shall be further equipped, by additional training, for public positions. Instead of ignoring the Hanlin College, I personally should like to see that College turned into a kind of College de France, with instruction given, at least, in branches of politics and history. This matter I will refer to later on in connection with the Imperial University in Peking.

(6.) On July 5th, 1901, an Edict was issued, calling on all the Chinese Ministers abroad to select capable Chinese who had been studying in other countries, and to send them back to help the Government, their expenses to be borne by the Government. It may be safely said that in the present régime, young men who have studied abroad, are looked upon with more favour than at any time during the past not excepting the Reform period of 1898. Both the previous and the present Ministers to Washington have studied abroad. The present Customs Tantai at Tientsin, the right-hand man of Yun Shih-kai, also studied for several years in the States. There have not been many of such to attain a high position, but the attitude of the Government toward them is much more generous than before.—*N. C. D. News.*

(To be continued)

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Supt. P. & O. S. N. CO.
Hongkong, 1st July, 1903. 1780e

Intimations.

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the FOURTEENTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, No. 4 Queen's Buildings, on SATURDAY, the 11th July, at 12.0 P.M., for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts to 30th April, 1903, and Electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 27th June to the 11th July, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
GIBB, LIVINGSTON, & CO.,
Agents. 1729e

NOTICE.

ESTATE OF MIKHAIL FEDOROVICH PIATKOFF, Deceased (late of MOSCOW).
ESTATE OF JACOB MATVEEVICH MALCHANOFF, Deceased (late of MOSCOW).

ANY PERSON or PERSONS having claims within the JURISDICTION of the SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG against either of the above ESTATES must send in same duly Vouched to the Undersigned on or before the 30th day of August next after which date the ESTATES will be wound up and the accounts finally Closed.

J. W. R. TAYLOR,
Administrator. 1790e

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No. 42, Central Market.

Hongkong, 1st July, 1903. 1779e

Intimations.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

INFORMATION has been received from the Military Authorities that MAXIM GUN PRACTICE will be carried out on the slope of Beacon Hill, Kowloon, on MONDAY, the 6th instant, from 7 till 9 A.M.

By Command,
F. H. MAY,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, 1st July, 1903. 1778e

THE CHINA LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the CHINA LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, No. 14, Des Vaux Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on MONDAY, the 13th day of JULY, 1903, at 11 in the FORENOON, when the SUBJOINED RESOLUTIONS, which were passed at a Meeting held on 27th JUNE, 1903, will be submitted for Confirmation as SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS:—

1. "That the capital of the Company be reduced from \$500,000 (divided into 15,000 shares of \$20 each) to \$150,000 (divided into 15,000 shares of \$10 each) and that such reduction be effected by reducing the nominal amount of all the shares in the Company's capital from \$20 to \$10 per share."

2. "That after such reduction the capital of the Company be increased from \$150,000 (divided into 15,000 shares of \$10 each) to \$300,000 (divided into 30,000 shares of \$10 each) by the creation of 15,000 new shares of \$10 each to be offered and if accepted to be allotted to the present shareholders of the Company in the ratio and proportion of one new share for every old share in the Company held by the respective shareholders thereof."

3. "That in consideration of the guarantee and undertaking now given by Messrs. Shewan, Tomes & Co. (the General Managers of the Company) and testified by their signature hereto (and to be further testified by the execution by the said Shewan, Tomes & Co. of a separate instrument of guarantee to be executed contemporaneously with the Debiture Trust Deed or Mortgage hereinafter referred to and to be held by the Trustees thereof) to be appointed as hereinafter mentioned) that the dividend for the years 1903, 1904 and 1905 in respect of the new shares referred to in the second of the preceding resolutions shall not fall below the rate of 6 per centum of the annuity in each and every one of the said three years the said Shewan, Tomes & Co. as such General Managers as aforesaid be and they hereby are authorized to issue Debentures to the amount of not more than \$200,000 on the property of the Company to be secured by a duly executed Mortgage thereof by the Company to such persons as Trustees for and on behalf of the Debenture holders as the said Shewan, Tomes & Co. may by writing under their hand appoint. The said Debentures to be issued in the shape of Bonds for \$1,000 or \$500 each at the Debenture holders' option respectively but so that the aggregate amount in value of such Debentures taken together do not exceed the sum of \$200,000. Debentures for and in respect of the said not exceeding may be issued at a face value thereof of 24 per cent. holders respectively of but so that the face value thereof of such Debentures shall not be entitled to such dividend as the face value thereof of the said Debentures to bear interest at the rate of 8 per cent. per annum to be computed from the date of actual issue of the respective holders thereof and to be repayable within 5 years from and after the date of such actual issue in manner following that is to say No portion of the amount paid in respect of any of such Debentures shall be repayable during the first three years following the date of the actual issue thereof but upon the expiration of such period of three years there shall be repaid in respect of each Debenture to each and every holder thereof

(a) "One quarter of the amount paid in respect thereof within six calendar months following the expiration of the said period of three years;"

(b) "One quarter of the amount paid in respect thereof within twelve calendar months following the expiration of the said period of three years;"

(c) "One quarter of the amount paid in respect thereof within eighteen calendar months following the expiration of the said period of three years;"

(d) "One quarter of the amount paid in respect thereof within twenty-four calendar months following the expiration of the said period of three years."

and

(e) "One quarter of the amount paid in respect thereof within twenty-four calendar months following the expiration of the said period of three years."

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers. 1763e

Hongkong, 27th June, 1903.

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Intimations.

BABIES AND CHILDREN

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NEEDHAM, (Secondhand), Upright Grand..... 450
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Cottage..... 475
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ROBINSON PIANO CO. LD.,
Do..... 450
Do..... 300
Do..... 150

ERD, Pianette, (Owner's property)..... 285
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Popular Songs, Piano and Violin Solos, Classical and Dances, Music 3 copies for \$2. Sing Folios containing over 100 songs by all known composers..... 250
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Gentlemen's Shirts made to order, and Cuffs and Collars renewed on old ones.

Ladies and Children's Under-clothing, Cambric Dresses, and all kinds of Embroidery, Materials can be supplied, if required.

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Hongkong, 22nd April, 1903.

Mails.

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STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
BINGO MARU.....	MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO AND PORT SAID	SATURDAY, 11th July, at Daylight.
KASUGA MARU.....	NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKO-HAMA	SATURDAY, 11th July, at Noon.
HIROSHIMA MARU.....	HAMA, BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE and COLOMBO	TUESDAY, 14th July, at Noon.
KAGA MARU.....	VICTORIA, B.C., and SEATTLE, U.S.A., VIA SHANGHAI, MOI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA	TUESDAY, 14th July, at 4 P.M.
AWA MARU.....	KOBE AND YOKOHAMA	FRIDAY, 17th July, at Daylight.
YAWATA MARU.....	SYDNEY and MELBOURNE, VIA MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE AND BRISBANE	FRIDAY, 17th July, at 4 P.M.
KAGOSHIMA MARU.....	KOBE	WEDNESDAY, 22nd July, at Noon.

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For further Information as to Freight, Passage, Sailings, &c., apply at the Company's Local Branch Office in Prince's Building, 1st Floor, Chater Road.

T. S. TAKAYANAGI,
Acting Manager.

Hongkong, 30th June, 1903.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR TRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

(Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL, AMERICAN AND SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.)

THE Steamship

"MASSILIA,"

Captain G. W. Cockman, carrying His Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this Port for BOMBAY, on SATURDAY, the 4th July, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be shipped at Colombo into a steamship proceeding direct to Marseilles and London, where Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via Bombay with Transshipment.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required. Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further Particulars, apply to E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 22nd June, 1903.

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

BOSTON STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

BOSTON TOW-BOAT COMPANY.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, VIA SHANGHAI, INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA, FOR VICTORIA, B.C., AND TACOMA, IN CONNECTION WITH NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY.

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Victoria..... 3,502 J. Pantou..... Aug. 1

Steamers marked (*) have no passenger accommodation.

The attention of passengers is directed to the very cheap rates offered by this line to the Pacific Coast and to the Interior and Eastern Cities of the United States and to Europe.

Special rates allowed to members of Government Services.

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Hongkong, 26th June, 1903. 1874d

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Hongkong, 22nd October, 1902. 1116d

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PAQUEBOTS-POSTE FRANCAIS.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, ADEEN, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS, LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX, ALSO.

PORTS OF BRAZIL AND RIVER PLATE.

ON TUESDAY, the 14th July, 1903, at 8 A.M., the Company's Steamship "ERNEST-SIMONS," Capt. Dupuy-Fromy, with Mails, Passengers, Specie and Cargo, will leave this Port for MARSEILLES, via BOMBAY.

This Steamer connects at COLOMBO with the S.S. "NERO," which vessel takes on her Passengers and Mails leaving that Port, on the 25th July, direct to Suez, Port Said and Marseilles.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON only on MONDAY, the 13th July, Specie and Parcels received until 4 P.M. on the same day. No Cargo will be received on board on TUESDAY.

Parcels are not to be sent on board, they must be left at the Agency's Office. Contents and Value of Packages are required.

For further Particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, 30th June, 1903. 1804c

Entertainment.

GRAND PROMENADE CONCERT

will be held on the VOLUNTEER PARADE GROUND, on

SATURDAY, the 11th July, 1903.

Full Details will be announced later.

A. CHAPMAN, Major,
Acting Commandant.

Hongkong, 26th June, 1903. 1737

Notice of Firm.

NOTICE.

M. R. B. PENISTON is no longer an Employee of the CHINESE AMERICAN COMMERCIAL COMPANY, 20-21, Connaught Road, Hongkong.

Intimations.



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Hongkong, 8th July, 1902. [28d]

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CLARKE,

CONSULTING ENGINEERS AND
SHIPBUILDERS,
SURVEYORS AND CONTRACTORS.

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TELEGRAMS: "CARMICHAEL," Hongkong.
A. B. C. Code, 4th Edition.

A. I. Code.

Lieber's Standard Code.

TELEPHONE, 232.

Hongkong, 20th March, 1903. [355d]

THE Beer to drink in the tropics is the Beer
made in the tropics—SAN MIGUEL.

NOTICE.
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the "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" should be
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The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, JULY 2, 1903.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

AN Order in Council has been issued in
Singapore prohibiting the import of subsidiary
Hongkong coinage.

We shall have a Souvenir Day, soon but you
will have to pay us a personal visit as no chits
will go. LeMunyon.—*Advt.*

THE second instalment of Dr. Gilbert Reid's
article on methods of Reform in China, and
their net results is printed on the third page.

Mr. F. A. Hazeland, the Police Magistrate, left
for Japan per the *Hakata Maru* this morning.
Mr. T. Sercombe Smith, the senior Police
Magistrate, is expected back on or about the
7th inst.

THE Band programme on the New Parade
Ground which should have been given on
Monday last, but was postponed through stress
of weather, will take place on Monday next,
the 6th inst.

IN the Lisbon lottery the other day, the prize of
£10,000 went to a poor lad who is employed in
selling lottery ticket shares. According to a
correspondent, he had just been cruelly beaten
by his father for not having disposed of all the
shares in his possession when the news of his
prize arrived.

CHINA is a sleeping giant, waiting only for the
magician's wand to make it cast off the shackles
of centuries and spring into new life. It may
become a great mart open to all the world if
the United States and Great Britain so will it,
or it may become merely an appendage of
Russia if the United States and Great Britain
are indifferent to their responsibilities and care-
less of their material interests.—*Independent*,
New York.

THE Osaka Shosen Kaisha send us an ex-
cellent guide to their company and to the Land
of the Rising Sun. It is a fine production
replete with maps and interesting engravings.
Intending visitors to Japan should note that
the company has a regular service between
various ports on the Western half of the Em-
pire as well as Chinese and Korean ports.
During the national exhibition the Company is
furnishing excursion boats to go through the
Inland Sea.

Don't forget the chits for they will not go
LeMunyon.—*Advt.*

WE learn that the negotiations with the Indian
Government as to the coinage of the new cur-
rency for the Straits Settlements have not yet
resulted in any arrangement being arrived at.
The Indian mints are at present fully occupied
in the re-coinage of old rupees, and hesitate to
give the desired facilities. It is to be hoped,
however, that minting can be done in India, as
there would naturally be a considerable saving
of time over the same work being done in this
country.—*L. & C. Express.*

DURING last term Cambridge University was
to have conferred the honorary degree of
Doctor of Law on Field-Marshal his Royal
Highness the Duke of Connaught, the Arch-
bishop of Canterbury, Lieutenant-General Lord
Greiffel, Field-Marshal Sir George White,
V.C., Admiral Sir E. H. Seymour, Sir Ernest
Sadow (Envoy Extraordinary and Minister
Plenipotentiary at Pekin), Lieutenant-General
Sir John French, Lieutenant-General Sir
Archibald Hunter, and Captain Percy Scott.

ANOTHER highway robbery was committed on
the Shaikwan Road last Tuesday night when
a gang of natives got hold of a ricksha coolie
and robbed him of a dollar. He called for
help, and one of the ruffians drew a knife and
slashed him across the neck and chest. Con-
stable Clyde was riding his bicycle to the
Shaikwan Station when he came across the in-
jured coolie and had him removed. He then
set out to find the robbers and eventually suc-
ceeded in capturing a man, who was brought
before Mr. Kemp this morning and remanded
for a week.

By permission of Major Radcliffe and officers,
the band of the 33rd Burma Infantry will play
the following programme of music, at the King
Edward Hotel, during dinner, to-morrow, Fri-
day, the 3rd inst. (weather permitting):—
March....."Le Conquerant".....Old Hume.
Overture....."Stradella".....Flotow.
Selection....."Hilbernia".....Kappay.
Song....."Lichfield".....Caroly Kloy.
Selection....."Floradora".....Leslie Stuart.
Valse....."A Greek Slave".....Sidney Jones.
Two-Step....."Moulin Rouge".....Thurman.
God Save the King.

Four floors freshly painted and tinted and in
first class condition to rent. Inquire at C. E.
LeMunyon, New Store, 31, Des Vaux Road.
P. O. Box 368.—*Advt.*

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made in the tropics—SAN MIGUEL.

LeMunyon will have another grand opening
Day and a Souvenir day as well; watch the date.
—*Advt.*

THE following notice has been posted at the
Magistracy:—"No reporters are allowed to
come into this office to read depositions. By
order.—(sd.) Wong Ming, 2. 6. 1903."

MESSRS. Behn Meyer and Co. have been ap-
pointed the Singapore agents of the new China
Communal S. S. Co., which is to run every
three weeks between Hongkong and San
Francisco. The *S.F. Press* hears the new
company will offer very favourable passage
rates.

It is a matter of common knowledge that anti-
English sentiment has always been sedulously
fostered at Lhasa by the Chinese Resident,
and if he has now swung round to a pseudo-
sout of Anglo-philism, the change is wholly
due, it may be safely assumed, says the *Globe*,
to a wish to win over Lord Curzon to his side
in the quarrel. Travellers who have recently
penetrated the last of the Hermit Kingdoms
of Asia, generally met fairly civil treatment
until the Chinese authorities at Lhasa heard
of their approach. Troops were then hurried
off from the capital to drive back the intruders,
and this breach of hospitality was represented
as the spontaneous outcome of Tibetan ex-
clusiveness.

INFORMATION has been received by the
Shanghai *Treasures* of a serious fight near Choupo
a few days ago between a desperate band of
salt smugglers and a body of soldiers under
the command of Wi Chang Po. The smugglers
in that vicinity have been very bold of late, and
it was with the intention of wiping them out
that the soldiers were sent against them. The
soldiers went to the scene of action in three
gunboats. They numbered about 375. The
smugglers numbered nearly 500. After a fight
lasting nearly two and a half hours the soldiers
were forced to retreat, leaving their arms and
ammunition in possession of the enemy. The
losses were 12 killed and many wounded. The
smugglers' losses are not known.

Now look out for LeMunyon's new store adv.
It is a beauty.—*Advt.*

A LONDON merchant of much influence in
political circles, who has returned from a tour
of British South Africa, told a correspondent of
the *Birmingham Post* that the influx
of traders from every part of Europe
and America is just now being seriously
overdone. The older houses find the com-
petition of the newcomers so severe that they
are compelled to reduce their profits to a
minimum, with the result that business in the
interior, notwithstanding its risks, tends to be-
come less profitable than in the more settled
colonies, such as Melbourne or Ontario. Fresh
capital is being sought right and left by firms
who have embarked their slender resources
confidently in a venture which is now found to
offer little prospect of reward except after years
of patient labour. The situation will right
itself, but the great need of the new colonies
must be held to be not traders, but men willing
to engage in the actual development of the
land.

LEOPARD have been used with good results
hauling light cannon in several recent African
campaigns. "For all hauling purposes they are
said to rival the famous army mule for patience
and all-round utility. The leopard was first
introduced for draught work in Upogoro, in
German East Africa, but they have proved to
be valuable that their use is likely to spread
widely. A single able bodied leopard,
properly broken, it is said, will haul an ordinary
mountain or field piece, or a similar weight of
ammunition or provisions for a campaign. They
are not particular about their food, and will
work all day with but one meal. In the jungle
marches this is, of course, a great advantage.
The leopards are broken to harness when very
young. The difficulties of taming a full-grown
leopard to such work are too great to make
them of any practical value. The leopard cub
are usually broken by the natives. They are
usually hitched up in a simple leather harness
and do not carry a bit, but a tight band about
the mouth enables one to guide them readily."
—*Science Signings.*

THE ALLEGED BRIBERY CASE

At the Magistracy this afternoon Mr. J. H.
Kemp heard further evidence in support of the
charges against R. G. McEwen, Inspector of
Markets, of accepting bribes. Mr. F. B. L.
Bowley, Crown Solicitor, prosecuted, and Mr.
M. W. Slade represented the defendant, who
had pleaded not guilty.

Mr. H. J. Gedge said he was instructed to
appear to watch the case on behalf of the pro-
secution and on behalf of each witness called
for the prosecution from that guild.

Before proceeding with the case, Niel August
Johnston, assistant Inspector of Markets, was
called, and pleaded not guilty to the charges,
as amended, of accepting the sum of \$ 0 from
Ip Chun, Wo Kam, and Lam Hing Shan.
Mr. Slade announced that he would appear for
the defence, and Mr. Kemp adjourned the
hearing of the case until next Thursday.

Pang Chin Ngok, manager of the Hop Wo
Chau, was then called, and Mr. Bowley in-
timated that he did not intend to offer any
evidence against him and he was discharged.
With regard to Tsang Ah Tso, a Wanchai
market coolie, Mr. Kemp announced that the
case would be taken on 9th inst.

Mr. Slade then cross-examined Fung Yun, a
salesman in the Sun Fu poultry shop, Western
Market, who had deposed to giving the defen-
dant \$10 of the poultry guild's money.

The accountant in the Sun Fu shop was
called and examined at length after which the
case was further adjourned.

THE Beer to drink in the tropics is the Beer
made in the tropics—SAN MIGUEL.

SANITARY BOARD.

A meeting of the Sanitary Board was held
this afternoon in the Board Room. Present:
The President (Hon. Dr. J. M. Atkinson,
P.C.M.O.), Mr. C. McL. Messer, (Acting Regis-
trar General), Capt. Lyons, Acting C. S. P.,
Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., Col. Webb, R.A.M.C.,
Mr. Ahmet Rumjahn, Mr. E. A. Hewett, Mr.
Mr. Fung Wa Chun, Mr. Lau Chu Pak, Dr.
Pearse, Acting M.O.H., Dr. Burnett, Assistant
M.O.H. and Mr. C. A. Woodcock, Secretary.

A report of the Select Committee appoint-
ed for the consideration of Mr. Pollock's motion
and the Acting Medical Officer of Health's
reply there to, together with a Chinese petition
relative to the same question, were laid on the
table.

Col. Webb moved that the recommendation
be adopted, and that a copy of the report be
circulated for the information of the members.
Capt. Lyons seconded.

Agreed.
Mr. Rumjahn then addressed the meeting,
and submitted that the recommendations did
not offer sufficient inducements to the Chinese
to cease dumping plague bodies. He suggested
that tenants be permitted to do their own
cleansing under the supervision of the Board's
officers. He also alluded to the compulsory
detention of inmates of a floor on which plague
had occurred, and spoke rather warmly in the
subject of compulsory confining, for the space
of 24 hours, persons inhabiting the same
floor of houses in which a case of plague had
occurred, and in which a plague corpse remained.
He did not hesitate to express it as his
opinion that such a practice was a disgrace to
the Colony and a great discredit to the Board.

PROSECUTIONS.
The President, pursuant to notice, moved:—
That the Board, under the provisions of
section 30 of the Public Health and
Buildings Ordinance, 1903, depute
Inspector Frederick Fisher to institute
summary proceedings before a
Magistrate against any person con-
travening any of the By-laws duly
made under section 16 of the Public
Health and Buildings Ordinance,
1903, when so directed in writing by
the Acting Medical Officer of Health.

That the Board, under the provisions of
section 256 of the Public Health and
Buildings Ordinance, 1903, depute
Inspector Frederick Fisher to institute
summary proceedings before a Magis-
trate for the recovery of any penalty
imposed by Part II of the said Ordinance
on any By-laws made thereunder,
when so directed in writing by the
Acting Medical Officer of Health.

Col. Webb seconded.

Agreed.

Mr. Pollock, pursuant to notice, moved:—
1. That a copy of the President's report on
the Health and Sanitary Condition of
the Colony of Hongkong for the year
1902 be sent to every member of the
Sanitary Board.

Mr. Hewett seconded.

Carried.

2. That a copy of the President's report and
of the sports and tables annexed
thereto, which are contained in Gov-
ernment Notification No. 393 of 1903,
be sent to every member of the Sanitary
Board.

Mr. Fung Wa Chun seconded.

Carried.

3. That the memorandum of the Acting
Medical Officer of Health upon the
construction of certain provisions of
the Public Health and Buildings
Ordinance, 1903, which was read at
the recent meeting of property owners,
be handed to the Press for publica-
tion.

Mr. Hewett seconded.

Carried.

The President read a letter from the Colonial
Secretary respecting the subject. This letter
will be reproduced in to-morrow's issue.

BATH-HOUSES AT TAIPINGSHAN.
A drawing showing proposed bath-houses for
men and women to be erected on a site adjoin-
ing Pound Lane, Taipingshan, was laid on the
table.

PLAGUE AT AMOY.
The following report of plague at Amoy was
laid on the table:—

H. M. Consulate,
Amoy, June 9th, 1903.
Sir,—I have the honour to report that the
epidemic of plague here appears to have
reached its maximum and now shows a ten-
dency to decrease, the average number of cases
reported during the last few days showing a
slight reduction.—I have, etc.

P. F. HAUSER,
Consul.

The Honorable
The Colonial Secretary,
Hongkong.

Mr. Pollock intimated:—The plague at Amoy
seems to have begun to decrease about the
time as it did here.

DUMPING OF PLAGUE BODIES.
The correspondence relative to the percent-
age of dead bodies, dead of plague, found
imposed, was tabled. It reads:—

Minute by Colonial Secretary to Secretary,
Sanitary Board.

note from the M. O. H.'s Memo. laid on the
table at last Sanitary Board meeting that the
percentage of dead bodies, dead of plague,
dumped up outside houses in 1901, was only
1.5 or the lowest on record.

It is the year the two soldiers were em-
ployed to stop dumping for about 2 months in
the plague season—first week in May to first
week in July. Is the low percentage of dumped
bodies attributable to any other cause?
(No. by Dr. Pearse, dated 20th ult.)
I much regret that in endeavoring to com-
pactly an answer to the 'question' of

Mr. Pollock lately asked at a Board meeting
on the subject of the percentages of dumped
bodies, I did not give the figures correctly.
I beg to submit herewith a revised report on
these figures.

In 1898—cases 1,314.
found in streets or hillsides 304.
percentage—23.1.

1899—cases 1,462.
found in streets or hillsides 354.
percentage—24.2.

1900—cases 1,85.
found in streets or hillsides 320.
percentage—19.7.

1901—cases 1,649.
found in streets or hillsides 320.
percentage—29.5.

1902—cases 572.
found in streets or hillsides 198.
percentage—34.6.

1903—cases up to date of previous report
976.
found in streets or hillsides 329.
percentage—33.3.

1903 to 19. 6. 03—cases 1,214.
found in streets or hillsides 397.
percentage—32.7.

The cases I have counted as "dumped"
include those found dead in streets, the har-
bour or hillsides, but do not include those
found in madheds, empty floors of houses,
nor in boats.

In the former figures there were accidentally
included many cases found in the streets but
which are shown to have been taken to the
Tung' Wa Hospital for treatment. The
previous number 13.8 given as the percentage
of dumped bodies in 1901 was due to an error
in the addition. It will be noticed, however,
that the figure I now give, namely 19.7, is still
the smallest for the six years.

With regard to the question of whether the
employment of soldiers in May and June had
any appreciable effect in lessening the
"dumping," I submit for co-consideration the
following figures calculated on the same basis
as those given above.

In May and June, 1901, there were registered
1,254 cases of plague. The "dumped" bodies
numbered 233. This gives a percentage of
18.5. This differs by 1.2 only from the figure
for the whole year, namely, 19.7.

Of the 395 cases occurring not in May
and June, 1901, there were 93 dumped.
This gives a percentage for the year of 23.5.
This is the figure which should be compared
with the percentage during May and June (18.5)
for the purposes of considering whether the
employment of the 100 soldiers had any effect.

The report was adopted.

MACDONNELL ROAD AND MALARIA.
The Acting Medical Officer of Health
minuted to the Secretary on the 22nd ult., as
follows:—

"I think it would be well to send a circular
letter to the people living in MacDonnell Road
calling their attention to the danger of allowing
small collections of water such as are found in
flower saucers, etc., in gardens. Malaria has
been frequent in MacDonnell Road and the
inhabitants there can do much to lessen it by
paying attention to these matters."

Mr. Pollock minuted:—"A general notice"
might be distributed all round the Colony in
English and Chinese.

Mr. Lau Chu Pak minuted:—"I think the
attention of those living in the other malarial
districts should also be drawn."

It was resolved that stagnant pools be
treated as ordinary nuisances.

CONVENIENCES FOR THE HONGKONG CLUB.
Messrs. Palmer and Turner wrote on the
27th May for permission to fix on the reverse
side of the servants' staircase, in the Club
Annex, a urinal in place of the one previously
sanctioned, the water supply to be taken from
the tank supplied from well as originally
proposed.

BAKE-HOUSES.
Applications for houses Nos 69, 347 and
445, Queen's Road West, to be registered as
bake-houses were granted.

The renewal of the licence for No. 228 Queen's
Road West for a similar purpose was also
granted.

FAT BOILING.
Permission was not granted for house No. 423,
Queen's Road West to be registered as a fat-
boiling establishment.

PUBLIC LATRINES.
The following report was laid on the table:—
"Report by the Sub-Committee of the Sanitary
Board, appointed to consider what sites
could be recommended to Government for the
erection of Public Latrines and Urinals."

A meeting of the Sub-Committee was held
on the 30th June, 1903. Present: all members,
viz. The Vice-chairman (Hon. W. Chatham),
chairman, The Acting Medical Officer of Health
(Dr. Pearse) and Ahmet Rumjahn, Esq.

The chairman submitted a plan of the city
showing the sites of latrines and urinals already
existing or in course of erection.

The Committee unanimously recommend the
erection of latrines and urinals on the following
sites:—

Latrines.—One of 20 seats, arranged in a
single row, on the west side of the Bowington
Canal, in Canal Road West. The building
to be kept clear of houses fronting on the road
and to be close to the edge of the canal.

One of at least 40 seats on the vacant land
on north side of Bridges Street, near Sing
Wong Street.

One of as many seats as can be arranged on
the triangular space north of the Harbour
Office.

All of the above to contain a small amount of
urinal accommodation.

Urinals (8 stalls each).—One in lane between
Nos. 14 and 16, Upper Station Street. One on
the Praya opposite M. L. 54. One ditto M. L.
224.

As the erection of the above will probably
absorb the amount to be provided for this sur-
vice during the ensuing year, the Committee
refrain from making any further recommenda-

tion.—(Sd.) W. CHATHAM, chairman. Dated
31st June, 1903.

The report was adopted.

PATF.
During the week ended 29th ult., 1,343 rats
were caught in Victoria and 672 in Kowloon;
144 and 18 of them, respectively, being infected.
The total number caught for the week being
2,015 of which 162 were infected.

LIME-WASHING.
The lime-washing return, for the fortnight
ended 23rd ult., gives the total number of houses
so treated as 1,634. There were no prosecu-
tions for failure to lime-wash.

This concluded the public business of the
meeting. A full report will be printed in the
Telegraph to-morrow evening.

MIDWAY ISLAND.

The following letter has been received from
Mr. E. W. Tilden, local agent of the P. M. S. S.
Co.:—

S. S. *Coptic*,
Hongkong, July 2nd, 1903.
E. W. Tilden, Esq.,
Agent, O. & O. S. S. Co.,
Hongkong.

Sir,—I beg to inform you that I called at
Midway Island on my outward trip to land
mail for the U.S. Navy and cable authorities.
We arrived off the Island on the afternoon of
June 13th. Captain Rodman, of the U.S.S.
Albatross boarded us and reported all well, and
everyone anxiously awaiting the cable ship,
which they expected to arrive about June 20th.
—I am, sir, Yours very truly,

JNO. H. RINDER,
Commanding.

THE FEAR OF FOREIGN FOES.

The bitter experiences suffered by the Chi-
nese government in the North in 1900 when
their large and important arsenals, gun found-
ries and small arms factories in Tientsin and
at Hsiku were taken possession of by some of
Allies who eventually, as in the case of the
Russians with the large Eastern Arsenal, car-
ried off all the machinery in that place to Fort
Arthur, have taught the Chinese officials the
lesson that it would not be to their advantage
to have such important institutions any more in
the vicinity of the march of any hostile foreign
army, in the event of further wars in the future
with Western Powers. To this end the Govern-
ment have caused a new Peiyang Arsenal and
big gun and small arms works to be built in
Tschou prefecture, Shantung province, on the
southern banks of the Grand Canal and a few
miles north of the city of Tsch

TELEGRAMS.

"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" SERVICE.

Opium for China.

(From our own Correspondents.)

BOMBAY, 2nd July.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s mail steamer left Bombay yesterday evening with about 755 chests of Malwa opium. The prices of superior drug are as follows:—

New	Rs. 1,180
Old	1,320
Oldest	1,430

The market is strong.

CALCUTTA, 1st July.

The seventh sale of opium realized—

2,000 chests at Rs. 1,301
2,000 " " 1,290

(Reuters.)

Cape Colony.

LONDON, 30th June.

The Cape Assembly has ratified the Convention establishing a South African Customs Union; an amendment opposing the preferential treatment of Great Britain was rejected by the casting vote of the Speaker.

Reinforcements for Somaliland. 150 more Bombay Grenadiers have left Aden for Berbera.

LATER.

A despatch from General Manning says deserters deny that there are any white prisoners in the Mullah's Camp.

Col. Rochfort wires that the Abyssinians after forced marches surprised the Mullah's Horse Spearmen on the 31st May and that after a slight resistance the enemy fled. It is reported that the Mullah's uncle and 1,000 spearmen were killed and all livestock including 1,000 camels captured.

THE TRANS-SIBERIAN RAILWAY.

MR. E. R. BELLIOS'S EXPERIENCES.

We received by the mail to-day a copy of a booklet of some sixteen 8vo pages, giving Mr. E. R. Bellios's experiences on the Trans-Siberian railway as related by this gentleman himself. The particulars of this journey are given as will probably be of interest to his friends and afford some useful hints to any one contemplating travelling by the new route.

We give below a few brief extracts from the pamphlet. Mr. Bellios writes:—

"It was told the effort would break down my health. My experience has been the contrary. This route is bound to be the route of the future between Europe on the one side, and China and Japan on the other. The railway journey is expected to be reduced to one of ten days between Dalm and Moscow. In the first instance, the recommendations in favour of the route are: the short time necessary to do it, against 30 to 35 days required by the sea; the cold climate, against the hot climate; no necessity of the constant change of lines; no necessity of carrying two sets of baggage—one for summer and the other for winter; no apprehension of meeting bad weather, which is inevitable in a long voyage, even in the best season of the year.

There are 75 stations between Dalm and Manchuria, 59 stations between Manchuria and Mussovaiah, three stations between Mussovaiah and Irkutsk (crossing Lake Baikal), and 517 stations between Irkutsk and Moscow. In all, 654 stations. The train stops at every station, although it is called an express train. The hills here are rocky, similar to the hills in the neighbourhood of Hongkong. Thursday, 23rd April.—Thermometer at 6 a.m. stood at 60 in my compartment, but, being a windy day, the temperature is keenly felt.

The officials speak nothing but Russian. If it were not for a few passengers who spoke English, French, and German, the English passengers would have been somewhat inconvenienced. The officials will not understand even when spoken to in English. They are a set of blockheads. A foreigner sitting at the table had the soup tureen placed before him, but there was no soup-plate. He made signs that a soup-plate was wanted, but the waiter could not understand him. After several attempts the blockhead was made to see what was wanted; and then supplied the necessary article.

In Russia, as in China, calculations are made by the machine board. Figures on paper are difficult to be added even by a first-class clerk. Saw an arcade, the largest, I believe, in the world. The city has improved considerably in its architectural aspect since I visited it in 1887.

The national dish in this country is the caviar, served with half a lemon and fresh-cut onions. There are 24 species of fish who produce caviar (roe), therefore there are 24 varieties or qualities of roe (caviar). The best is available this time of the year. What is tinned and sent abroad is of the fifth quality. The best must be eaten fresh, or only a few days old. It will not keep, therefore it is not preserved. The well-to-do people make their nights days for the sake of pleasure. Restaurants are open till 5 a.m. Even on board the trains the restaurants keep open till 1 a.m. They are supposed on this account not to open before 9 a.m. the next day.

The cost of the journey from Hongkong to this country is 20 per cent. less when compared with what is usually paid by the Suez Canal route.

ASK FOR ASAHI JAPANESE BEER—G. Girault.

INDOCHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (LIMITED).

The twenty-second ordinary general meeting of this Company was held on 5th ult. at 29, Cornhill, Mr. Keswick, M.P., Chairman of the Company, presiding.

The Chairman, in moving the adoption of the report and accounts, which were taken as read, said that the report briefly set forth all that need be said with regard to the operations of the Company. As the shareholders were aware, last year was one of considerable depression in the shipping trade, not in China alone, but throughout the world. In China the depression was very severe, and the competition for the reduced amount of freight was most keen, both on the Yangtze and on the coast. The result was seen in the revenue of the Company, which was unfortunately greatly reduced. The account, however, which the Directors are able to put before the shareholders exhibited under the circumstances a very satisfactory state of things. They were fortunate in having to the credit of their underwriting account a very large sum, due to the immunity from loss or serious damage to the fleet over a long period, and the Directors felt they were justified in reducing this account by £28,555, which had been carried to revenue account, leaving still the large sum of £250,000 to the credit of underwriting account. They had also in reserve, untouched, £100,000, and consequently they were in a position to declare a dividend at the rate of 5 per cent, and to carry forward a small balance. He thought that in the circumstances this result could not but be regarded as satisfactory on the whole. The position of the Company was one of great strength, and they only wanted a return to better trade. He was glad to say that this year they had begun better than last year, and should the favourable conditions continue they might hope to see a very much better account at the end of 1903. The *Kew-thing* indemnity claim had been settled by the Chinese Government for a lump sum, and out of that they had to settle with the claimants, for loss of life in some cases, and for injury in other. The only delay that would now take place in the distribution of this money was the delay which was necessary in order to verify the rights of the various claimants. He might mention that the sum received would not give the Company back the full value of the steamer they lost; there would be some small loss, and also the loss of interest from the time the steamer was lost until they received payment (hear, hear).

Mr. W. Patterson seconded the motion for the adoption of the report, and it was agreed to unanimously.

Mr. Patterson, who retired by rotation, was re-elected director and the appointment of Mr. H. Beazley as a member of the Board was confirmed.

Mr. Sawyer, in moving a vote of thanks to the Chairman and Directors, coupling with it the general agents of the Company, and the officials afloat and ashore, both at home and abroad, said he thought the meeting ought to place on record their regret at the loss which had been sustained by the death of their late Chairman, Mr. McAndrews, and of Mr. W. L. Watson, and their sympathy with their relatives (hear, hear).

The motion was agreed to. The Chairman, in returning thanks, said that the Board had sustained a real and serious loss in the death of these two gentlemen, and he would take care that the expression of sympathy on the part of the shareholders was conveyed to their families. A great deal of the prosperity of the Company was due to the captains and officers of the fleet, and all connected with the management of the affairs of so considerable a Company and he felt certain that the expression of their approval would be very much appreciated by them.

THE SILVER QUESTION.

THE SIAMSE CURRENCY.

The following interesting note on the effect of the currency reform recently introduced in Siam is published by *The Times* from a correspondent in Bangkok, dated April 24th:—

Siam's great experiment in closing the mints to the free coinage of silver and selling her ticals at a fixed sterling rate has now been tested by four months' working. The result is something of a disappointment, though it probably does not affect the prestige of the country in the eyes of the commercial world. The Government has its selling rate, but there are no buyers. The banks, on the other hand, have gone back practically to the market rate of silver. Fortunately silver is high for the time and also steady, but the collapse of the fixed tical does not tend to that confidence which is so necessary in trade. The business world realised, of course, from the first that the Government's action did not ensure the absolute fixity of the value of the tical. But Siam is so happily situated with its exports largely overtopping its imports, with no debt, and consequently no large amount of gold to remit, that it was hoped its experience would be more favourable than that of India, where exchange fell for about two years after the closing of the mints. What has happened is a fall of 10 in the dollar rate within a fortnight—certainly a large drop—and if silver had not luckily been higher than it had been for nine months past, the drop would have been even greater. The position in Siam is peculiar. Naturally the adoption of a good standard in any form has, to start with, an adverse effect on exports. People are unwilling to forego the splendid prices that have been coming to them for paddy under a steadily falling exchange, and when the supplies of the small holders were exhausted, the large holders have been refusing to sell at the reduced rate the enhanced value of the tical made necessary. Exports have accordingly

fallen off for the moment, imports were at the same time brisk, and the bills that the banks had to negotiate showed a huge preponderance on the one side. There seems to be no doubt of the fact, though certainly up to the end of last month the Customs returns showed that the exports continued to exceed the imports. It was inevitable, therefore, that the banks should desire to lower their rates, and the peculiarity of the situation is that the whole position was never more absolutely in the hands of the banks. When the Government closed the mints its intention was to fix its selling rate of ticals at 17 to the pound sterling, but a compromise had to be come to with the banks that the Government selling rate should be fixed at 20 to the pound sterling, and should not be changed for three months except as silver rose. The value of the tical would go up in proportion to any rise in silver, but would not go down if silver fell again. The actual rate at the time was between 21 and 22 ticals to the pound sterling, but owing to the recovery of silver the Government selling rate has been 14 to the pound for some time. Probably there have been no Government sales at that rate, though it ruled the bank rate for some time. But since the closing of the mints the three banks have bought something like half a million sterling of ticals, a considerable portion of them at the rate of 20 to the pound. They are, therefore, in a magnificent position whatever happens. This outcome was hardly realised at the time the compromise was made, and apparently the Government is content to wait till things adjust themselves again. In effect it probably puts off the realisation of a gold standard in Siam for about a year; by that time the banks will probably have to buy ticals again. The stagnation in trade will not last so long as that, however; exports will revive with the coming of the rains, which will bring out the later paddy and other products from the interior.

THE STRAITS CURRENCY.

THE QUESTION OF RATIO.

A meeting of the Straits Settlements Association was held on the 3rd ult., in the offices of the Tanjong Pagar Dock Company, to consider currency matters with special reference to the question of "ratio." Mr. W. Adamson, C.M.G., presided, the others present being Messrs. W. G. Gulland, T. Cuthbertson, H. Paddy, R. F. McNair Scott, A. Young, J. Finlayson, A. Currie, W. McKerron, S. R. Carr, F. C. Bishop, W. R. McArthur, Hon. C. Stringer, A. G. Angier, R. Craig, A. Johnson, J. B. McLaren, G. W. Butt, James Greig, R. Murray Bell, James Miller, A. G. Wright, T. Whitehead and L. Fraser.

The Chairman said the object of the meeting was to enable members to express any opinion they might have in regard to this question of the currency, and more particularly to state their views in reference to the matter of ratio. There was very little doubt, he thought, that the Government of Singapore was about to take immediate action in the matter. He understood that, generally speaking, the necessary arrangements were being carried out as far as practicable, and it would be very desirable that their friends in Singapore, the members of the Straits Association, and the community generally should understand what is the opinion of the mercantile body here. It would no doubt assist them very much in coming to a decision themselves. If any resolution were passed dealing with the matter, he would take care to telegraph them to Singapore that night. That was all he had to say at the moment; it was for members of the Association to make any remarks they might wish.

Mr. W. C. Gulland: I have pleasure in proposing this resolution—"That this meeting cordially approves of the proposal to adopt a gold standard for the Straits Settlements and the Federated Malay States, and is of the opinion that the recommendations of the Currency Committee are eminently practicable, and that their adoption by the Government is most desirable."

Mr. S. R. Carr seconded, and the resolution was adopted without discussion.

Mr. T. Cuthbertson said there was practical unanimity as to the Straits going on a gold basis. He did not know whether they would be equally unanimous when they came to talk about the question of ratio. That, of course, was an important point. He noticed in the report Sir Frank Swettenham telegraphed home in December last year that he indicated his wish or desire that the ratio should be fixed at something about the then current rate of exchange. Looking back to the course of exchange since December, the adoption of that suggestion would have put them in a somewhat difficult position. Exchange had advanced somewhat rapidly, and he took it that if the ratio had been settled at the rate of exchange then current they would have run a great risk of losing all their dollars. He presumed it was absolutely necessary in fixing the ratio that it should be fixed at a point not likely to be reached by silver in the open market. Looking at the currency arrangements made in the neighbouring countries, at the Philippines where the American dollar was fixed at 25, at Japan where the value of the yen was about 25, and at the recent change to a gold standard in Siam—he thought they might say that unless the ratio be fixed at something near 25, they might find themselves in some difficulty. He therefore ventured to suggest for their consideration that the ratio should be 25. He would move the following resolution:—"That this meeting is further of opinion that the ratio of exchange between the new dollar and the sovereign should be ultimately brought up to 25 per dollar."

Mr. Sergei seconded. A discussion of a conversational nature then ensued, in the course of which Mr. T. Whitehead drew attention to the possible wrongs that might be inflicted on current contracts and those extending over long periods, as between debtor and

creditor. Mr. F. C. Bishop also pointed out that although they were proceeding on the same lines as had been pursued in India, still the conditions prevailing in the two countries were of a quite dissimilar nature. Mr. Cuthbertson said that in regard to the point raised by Mr. Whitehead, he did not suppose it was possible, even if they wished it, to bring the parity of exchange at once to 25. It would naturally be a somewhat long process. How long he was not in a position to say. They knew that in India it took some six years from the beginning of the scheme to bring the rupee up from 15 to 15.45. How long it would take in Singapore he did not think anyone could say. The process would be a slow and gradual one. In regard to the relations between debtor and creditor he could only say the disturbance on the recent occasion would not be as large as it had been by the fluctuations in silver. Looking back to the past he did not remember any very great difficulties arising in Singapore as between debtors and creditors. He did know that for some time back business had been made very difficult by constant fluctuations in silver. The Chairman added that the intention of the committee in declining to name a ratio was to allow time for the matter to be fully considered by the mercantile community generally, and also thinking that, as time went on, a better opportunity would present itself than at the moment of seeing what the course of silver would be. It was always supposed that the progress to a higher exchange would be slow. After further conversation the resolution was put to the meeting and carried unanimously.

Mr. Miller then proposed: "That the chairman be instructed to forward a copy of this resolution to the Secretary of State and to telegraph the same to the Straits Settlements Association at Singapore." Mr. McLaren seconded, and the resolution was unanimously passed.

A vote of thanks to the chairman proposed by Mr. Gulland terminated the proceedings.

The following letter, signed "Straits," appeared in the *Standard*:

The report of the Committee appointed to inquire into the expediency of introducing a gold standard into the Straits Settlements has now been published. As was to be expected from the composition of the Committee, the report is a very lucid and able document. The gist of it is as follows:—Here follow paragraphs 57-60 of the report, which have already been published by us—*Editor, L. S. & Co. Ltd.*—This scheme, which it may be pointed out incidentally is substantially on the lines suggested in the communication you published in your issue of Nov. 27 last, seems, as far as can be judged, to find universal favour among the people interested in the trade of the Straits Settlements. There are, however, two points to which it may be advisable to draw attention. In the communication above referred to it was suggested that the currency should consist of token coins of half-dollars (on the same lines as in Japan). This suggestion, it will be noticed, has not been adopted by the Committee. The second point is the Committee's recommendation that, simultaneously with the arrival of the first supply of the new dollars, the import of Mexican and British dollars should be temporarily prohibited, and the export of the new dollars should also be prohibited.

The first point appears to be very important, and its being disregarded might, in the future, lead to serious consequences, in fact, to far more serious consequences than the state of affairs which has given rise to the appointment of the Committee. The object of the measures recommended is to bring about fixity of exchange, which object, however, would not be certain to be attained. Supposing the rate which it is intended to establish ultimately as the exchange value of the Straits dollar to be 25, it would only be necessary that silver should rise to above 28d. per ounce, and we would, although on a higher level, again have all the vicissitudes of fluctuations in exchange. But what is more serious is that if silver should rise above the price indicated it would lead to all the full-weight Straits dollars being melted down to be sold as bullion, with the result that the Straits Settlements would be entirely denuded of all currency. This, it must be admitted, is a serious contingency, and ought not to be lightly treated, all the more so as the simple remedy above indicated is available.

The second point, although of comparatively little importance, nevertheless deserves consideration. There appears to be absolutely no necessity for the proposed measures. Their adoption is bound, in some way or other, to interfere with legitimate trade, while its non-enforcement would, no doubt, contribute to the change of standard being effected more smoothly. It is admitted that the contraction which will effect the appreciation of the new coin must take some time. Nothing would, therefore, be lost by dropping the above recommendations. The mere fact that it will be known that on some date or other the Mexican and British dollars will be demonetised will, in itself, lead to shipments of these coins being curtailed as much as possible, and, instead of people being anxious to increase their supplies of it, only reasonable to expect that everyone will do his best to get rid of as many of these dollars as he possibly can. Under these circumstances, and considering that everyone will have been fully forewarned, there is no hardship if, after the supply of the new dollars will be considered sufficient for the requirements, it will be notified that after, say, three months, Mexican and British dollars will cease to be legal tender. The bulk of these dollars would by that time no doubt have disappeared from the Straits, and have found their way to China and other countries. For the opposite reason there is no need to prohibit the export of the new coin. Everybody will know that it is in the country. By publishing these remarks in your influential paper you might, chiefly as regards the first point, be instrumental in preventing what might at a future date prove a calamity in an important part of the Empire.

THE EASTERN MAIL.

CONTRACTS.

The General Post Office has issued the following notice:—A small committee has been appointed to consider the best means of providing for the conveyance of the mails to and from the East and Australasia on the expiration of the existing contracts with the Peninsular and Oriental and Orient Steam Navigation companies. It is constituted as follows:—

Mr. Evelyn Cecil, M.P., Chairman.
Mr. H. Buxton Forman, C.B., Assistant Secretary, Post Office.

Sir John Anderson, K.C.M.G., Principal Clerk, Colonial Office.

Mr. F. C. Holiday, Auditor of Home Accounts, India Office.

Mr. S. J. Giff, C.B., Civil Assistant to the Director of Transport, Admiralty.

Mr. W. E. Smith, Superintendent of Construction Accounts, Admiralty.

Sir T. W. P. Blomfield, Assistant Secretary for the Finance Department, Board of Trade.

With Mr. A. G. Ferrard, of the Secretary's Office, Post Office, as Secretary.

The London correspondent of the *Birmingham Post*, writing on 2nd ult., says:

I am told upon excellent authority that only as recently as yesterday no agreement had been arrived at between the Postmaster General and the Russian Government with respect to the conveyance of British mail matter to the Far East by the Trans-Siberian route.

An official announcement was made at the beginning of the year to the effect that this route was now available, but I have reason to know that the letters so mailed were, in point of fact, diverted by the Postal Department to the ordinary routes between Great Britain and China. In this connection it will be of wide general interest to know that letters handed in at Russian post-offices in China have just reached London, within twenty-five days of their despatch from Shanghai. This is more than a week's saving of time, and when the return journey is arranged there will be a total economy of three weeks upon the round journey. The effect that this will have upon business correspondence will be immediate and emphatic, and the only marine competitor that has any chance of success is the Pacific route, which, however, will have to guarantee train and steamship connections to become a serious rival of the Russian route.

COMMERCIAL.

TO-DAY'S INTELLIGENCE.

With the exception of a slight improvement in Hongkong Lands to \$162.50-\$163, the market is practically paralyzed. In Shanghai Farnham Bryds declared a final dividend of 15s. 8d. per share making, in all, 15s. 15d. for the year.

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

ON LONDON, Telegraphic Transfer	118
" Bank Bills, on demand	118 1/16
" Credits, 4 months' sight	118 1/8
" Dime's 4 months' sight	118 1/8
ON BERLIN (demand)	118 1/2
ON PARIS, Bank Bills, on demand	209 1/2
" Credits, 4 months' sight	213
ON NEW YORK, Bank Bills, on demand	40 1/2
" Credits, 30 days' sight	41 1/2
ON BOMBAY, Telegraphic Transfer	124 1/2
" On demand	125 1/2
ON SHANGHAI, Telegraphic Transfer	71 1/2
" Private 30 days' sight	71 1/2
ON YOKOHAMA, T.T.	81 1/2
Sovereigns, Bank's Buying Rate	\$11.95
Gold Leaf 100 touch, per tael	61.90
Bar Silver	24 1/2

OPIUM QUOTATIONS.

To-day's quotations are as follows:—

	Per chest
MALWA NEW	970/1,000
" LAST YEAR	1,010/1,030
" OLDEST	1,120/1,130
PATNA NEW	1,061 1/2
" OLD	1,070
BENARES NEW	1,061 1/2
" OLD	1,070
PERSIAN (PAPER)	700/800

DODWELL & Co., LIMITED.

Agents.

2nd July, 1903.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"BANCA" FROM ANTWERP, PORT SAID, SUEZ AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 9 A.M., TO-MORROW.

Goods not cleared by the 9th instant at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Company's representative at an appointed hour.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognised.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 2nd July, 1903.

ASK FOR ASAHI JAPANESE BEER—G. Girault.

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To-day's Advertisements.

NOTIFICATION.

CHINESE INDEMNITY OF 1901.

AN INSTALMENT of 20 per Cent. of the Certificate amount is hereby declared payable on Coupon "B" of Certificates issued in payment of British Private Claims under the Provisions of the Notification of the 12th June last.

Coupons are payable at the Office of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, 31, Lombard Street, London, and negotiable at Branches and Agencies, Hongkong and China.

H. M. BEVIS,

British Delegate.

Shanghai, 1st July, 1903.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI. THE Company's Steamship

"HAILONG," Captain Evans, will be despatched for the above Ports, on SUNDAY, the 5th instant, at 9 A.M.

For Freight or Passage apply to DOUGLAS, LAPRAIK & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 2nd July, 1903.

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE. Calling at PORT DARWIN and QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.)

THE Steamship

"AUSTRALIAN," Captain W. G. MacArthur, will be despatched for the above Ports, on WEDNESDAY, the 29th instant, at Noon.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber, which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.

This Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric-light.

A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon are carried.

M.B.—To assure the additional comfort of passengers the steamers of the Company have electric fans fitted in staterooms.

For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 2nd July, 1903.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"COROMANDEL," FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This vessel brings on Cargo:—From London, &c., ex S.S. *Britannia*. From Calcutta, ex S.S. *Samal*. From Persia, ex B.I.S.N. and B. & P. S. N. Co.'s Steamers.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 5 P.M., TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 9th instant at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Company's representative at an appointed hour.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognised.

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E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 2nd July, 1903.

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Shipping—Steamers.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LD.
AND
CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LD.

JOINT SERVICES.

FORTNIGHTLY SAILINGS FOR LONDON.

MONTHLY SAILINGS FOR LIVERPOOL AND FOR CONTINENT.

OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	DUE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"DARDANUS"	On 5th July.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"MACHAON"	On 12th July.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"DIOMED"	On 15th July.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"HECTOR"	On 22nd July.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"NESTOR"	On 29th July.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"TEUCER"	On 30th July.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"NINGCHOW"	On 30th August.

S.S. "DARDANUS" left Singapore 1st inst. and is due here 5th inst. p.m.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ABERDEEN	"ALCINOUS"	On 7th July.
"LIVERPOOL"	"PROMETHEUS"	On 22nd July.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ABERDEEN	"PELEUS"	On 21st July.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ABERDEEN	"STENTOR"	On 4th August.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ABERDEEN	"DARDANUS"	On 18th August.
"LIVERPOOL"	"DIOMED"	On 20th August.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ABERDEEN	"NESTOR"	On 1st September.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ABERDEEN	"MOYUNE"	On 15th September.

S.S. "ALCINOUS" left Shanghai 2nd inst. a.m. for Foochow and this.

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST PORTS, via NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	"MACHAON"	On 14th July.
	"NINGCHOW"	On 10th August.

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 2nd July, 1903.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
ILIOLO	"YUOHANG"	2nd July.
CHEFOO and TIENTSIN	"NANSHANG"	4th "
MANILA	"CHINGTU"	4th "
PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY IS- LAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYD- NEY and MELBOURNE	"CHINGTU"	4th "
SHANGHAI and CHINKIANG	"SHANSI"	6th "
SWATOW, CHEFOO, NEWCHANG, and TIENTSIN	"NANSHANG"	6th "
KOBE	"TAIYUAN"	7th "
SAMARANG and SOERABAYA	"SHANTUNG"	15th "
MANILA	"SUNGLANG"	15th "

* The Attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by these steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. Unrivaled table. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried.

† Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.

‡ Taking Cargo and Passengers at through Rates for all New Zealand and other Australian Ports.

N.B.—RED 1st CLASS SALOON FARES, SINGLE AND RETURN, TO MANILA AND AUSTRALIAN PORTS.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 2nd July, 1903.

Hongkong-Manila.

Highest Class, newest, fastest and most luxurious Steamers
between Hongkong and Manila—Saloon amidships—Electric
Light—Perfect Cuisine—Surgeon carried—All the most up-to-
date arrangements for comfort of Passengers.CHINA AND MANILA
STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

Steamship	Tons	Captain	For	Sailing Dates
RUBI	2540	R. W. Almond	MANILA (DIRECT)	SATURDAY, 4th July, at 10 A.M.
ZAFIRO	2540	R. Rodger	MANILA (DIRECT)	SATURDAY, 11th July, at 10 A.M.
PERLA	1980	J. McGinty		

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 27th June, 1903.

PORTLAND & ASIATIC STEAMSHIP CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, INLAND SEA OF
JAPAN, MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA,FOR
PORTLAND, OREGON,

OPERATING IN CONNECTION WITH

THE OREGON RAILROAD AND NAVIGATION COMPANY

Steamship	Tons	Captain	To Sail
"INDRAVELL"	4,899	R. P. Craven	July 14, 1903.
"INDRAPURA"	4,899	A. E. Hollingsworth	Aug. 14, "
"INDRASAMHA"	5,197	W. E. Craven	Sept. 13, "

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Points and all Eastern, Canadian and United States Ports. For through rates of Freight and further information, communicate with or apply to

ALLAN CAMERON, General Agent.

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OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS.—SUBJECT TO ALTERATIONS.

Destinations	Steamers	Captains	Sailing Dates
FOR ANPING	"MAIDZURU MARU"	T. Saito	SUNDAY, 5th July.
FOR TAMSUI	"DAIGI MARU"	T. W. Groves	TUESDAY, 7th July.
FOR FOCHOW	"ANPING MARU"	J. Goto	FRIDAY, 10th July.
FOR TAMSUI	"DAIJIN MARU"	T. Ogata	SUNDAY, 12th July.

* Via SWATOW and AMOY.

The Company's new steamers are specially designed for the coast trade of South China and Formosa and are fitted with all modern improvements. Excellent accommodation is provided for 1st class passengers, and a duly qualified doctor is carried.

All steamers carry the Imperial Japanese Mail, subject to periodical inspection by the Government Marine Surveyors, and are registered in the highest class at Lloyd's.

Steamers will go alongside the Co's Pontoon at the Customs' water-front premises at Tamsui to land all passengers and cargo.

By the Co's steamers for Shanghai, through Bills of Lading issued for Cargo to Yangtze River Ports, as well as for North China Ports, in connection with the NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA's steamers from Shanghai.

For Freight, Passage and further information, apply at the Co's Local Branch Office, at No. 4, Des Voeux Road Central.

T. ARIMA, Manager.

Hongkong, 1st July, 1903.

Shipping—Steamers.

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.

HONGKONG-MANILA,

REDUCED SALOON PAS-
SAGE MONEY.

SINGLE, \$25. RETURN, \$40.

STEAMERS fitted throughout with Electric Light, First Class Accommodation. Unrivaled Table. Duly qualified Surgeon carried.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1903.

STEAM TO CANTON.

THE Splendid New Steel Twin Screw
Steamer

"KWONG CHOW"

1,474 Tons, Captain Walker, leaves HONG-
KONG for CANTON at 8.30 P.M. on SUNDAYS,
TUESDAYS and THURSDAYS, returning
to Hongkong the following days leaving
CANTON at 5 P.M. Unexcelled Accommoda-
tion for First Class Passengers. Ship lighted
throughout by Electricity.

Passage Fare, \$4 Single Journey.

Meals \$1 each.

The Company's Wharf is West of the Hong-
kong Harbour Master's Office.SHIU ON S.S. CO., LTD.,
No. 8, Queen's Road West.

Hongkong, 30th May, 1903.

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"BENLOMOND"

Captain Hutton, will be despatched as above
on or about THURSDAY, the 2nd July.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 10th July, 1903.

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAMSHIPS.

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"GLENESK"

Captain Rafferty, will be despatched as above
on THURSDAY, the 9th July.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

MCGREGOR BROS. & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 5th June, 1903.

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAMSHIPS.

FOR LONDON.

THE Steamship

"GLENGARRY"

Captain Willy, will be despatched as above
on TUESDAY, the 14th July.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

MCGREGOR BROS. & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 25th June, 1903.

TOYO KISEN KAISHA

MANILA LINE.

Largest and Fastest Steamers on the route. Excellent Accommodation. Cuisine Unexcelled.
Unrivaled Speed. Fitted throughout with Electric Light. Doctor and Stewardess carried.

Steamship	Captain	Tons	Sailing Date
ROHILLA MARU	E. P. Bishop	3,869	TUESDAY, 7th July, at 11 A.M.
ROSETTA MARU	N. Tate	3,876	SATURDAY, 11th July, at 11 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply at the Company's Office, 3, Queen's Building, Ice House
Street.

Hongkong, 2nd July, 1903.

K. NAKASHIMA, Manager.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Steamship

"YUENSANG"

Captain S. J. Payne, will be despatched as above
on FRIDAY, the 3rd July, at 4 P.M.This Steamer has Superior Accommodation
for First Class Passengers, and is fitted through-
out with Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 27th June, 1903.

FOR KOBE, NAGASAKI AND
VLADIVOSTOK.

Calling at GENBANG.

THE Steamship

"SAVOIA"

Captain Delnat, will be despatched for the
above Ports on MONDAY, the 6th July.

At Noon.

This Steamer has Superior Accommodation
for First Class Passengers and carries a Doctor.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,
Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 23rd June, 1903.

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVI-
GATION COMPANY.STEAM FOR
FIUME AND TRIESTE (DIRECT).Calling at SINGAPORE, PENANG, CUL-
OMBO, BOMBAY, KARACHI, ADEN,
SUZ and PORT SAID.(Taking Cargo at through rates to the
BRAZILS, to SOUTH AFRICA, PERSIAN
GULF, RED SEA, BLACK SEA, LEBANT,
VENICE and ADRIATIC PORTS).

THE Company's Steamship

"TRIESTE"

Captain Mecozzi, will be despatched as above
on TUESDAY, the 2nd July.For information as to Freight and Freight
apply toSANDER, WIELER & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 30th June, 1903.

HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "WING CHAI."

Captain SAMUEL BELL SMITH.

DAILY Departure from Hongkong to Macao
at 7.30 A.M., from Macao to Hongkong
at 2 P.M., SUNDAY included.1st Class fare (including cabin and servant),
\$3; return ticket, \$5.

2nd Class, \$1.50; return ticket, \$2.50.

3rd Class, \$1.

Steering, \$0.50.

Superior cabin accommodation.

Wharf in Hongkong, opposite Central
Market; at Macao, C. M. S. N. Company's
Wharf.

For Freight, &c., apply to—

SAM WANG & CO., LD.,
81, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, 22nd June, 1903.

EXCURSION TO MACAO.

THE Fast and Commodious Steamship

"WING CHAI."

will leave her wharf, opposite Central Market,
EVERY SUNDAY (during the Summer
Months) at 8.30 A.M. returning at 6 P.M. or
later.FARE.—Return Ticket including Tiffin and
Dinner (if per on Board or at Macao Hotel) \$5.
A Maid for Sea Bathing is provided and
Bathing Clothes, &c., provided at a reasonable
rate.

Hongkong, 30th June, 1903.

NOTICE.

HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

THE steamer "WING CHAI" RESUMES
RUNNING on THURSDAY MORN-
ING, the 2nd July.

SAM WANG & CO., LD.

Hongkong, 30th June, 1903.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND
CALCUTTA.

THE Company's Steamship

"LAISANG"

Captain M. Courtney, will be despatched as
above on TUESDAY, the 7th July, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 30th June, 1903.

THE AMERICAN ASIATIC STEAM-
SHIP COMPANY.STEAMSHIP SERVICE FOR NEW
YORK VIA THE SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

"VERONA"

Captain H. N. Spiesen, on or about SATUR-
DAY, the 25th July.

For Freight, &c., apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, 19th June, 1903.

Consignees.

S.S. "POLYNESIAN"

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London
ex s.s. *Memphis*, and from Bor-
den ex s.s. *Ville de Lorient*, in connection
with above Steamer, are hereby informed that
their Goods, with the exception of Opium,
Treasure and Valuables are being landed
and stored at their risks into the Godowns
of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Go-
down Co., Limited, at Kowloon, whence delivery
may be obtained immediately after landing.Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless
intimation is received from the Consignees
before Noon, of the 29th instant, requesting it to
be landed here.Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the
Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed
after MONDAY, the 6th July, at NOON,
will be subject to rent and landing charges.All claims must be sent in to me on or before
the 6th July, or they will not be recognised.All damaged packages will be examined on
MONDAY, the 6th July, at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, 29th June, 1903.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLESBOROUGH, ANTWERP,
LONDON, PORT SAID, COLOMBO,
AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship

"HAKATA MARU"

having arrived from the above Ports, con-
signees of cargo are hereby informed that their
Goods are being landed and placed at their
risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and
Godown Company's Godown at Kowloon,
where each consignment will be sorted out
mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as
soon as the Goods are landed.Optional Goods will be carried on unless
intimation is given to the contrary before
Noon, TO-DAY.Goods not cleared by the 6th July will
be subject to rent.All ship-damaged packages must be left in
the Godowns and Notice of same sent to this
Office before the 9th July, or claims in
connection therewith will not be recognised.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Hongkong, 30th June, 1903.

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAM-
SHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of CARGO per Steamship

"COPIEC"

The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees
of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their
Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take
immediate delivery of their Goods from
alongside.Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel
will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk
and expense.E. W. TILDEN,
Agent.

Hongkong, 1st July, 1903.

Insurance.

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY OF HAMBURG.THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above
Company are prepared to accept First
Class FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS at
CURRENT RATES.SIEMSEN & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 28th May, 1903.

HONGKONG AVERAGE MARKET
PRICES.

Corrected 2nd July, 100 cts. per \$ Max.

BUTCHER MEAT

Beef sirloin & prime cut—Mei Lung Pa 17

" Corned—Ham Ngau Yuk 17

" Roast—Shiu 17

" Soup, Tong Yuk 17

" Stew—Ngau Yuk Pa 17

" Sausages—Ngau Yuk Chong 16

Bullock's Brains—Know 16

" Tongue fresh—Ngau Li 45

" Corned—Ham Ngau Li 55

" Head—Ngau Tau 55

" Heart—Ngau Sum 55

" Hump, Salt—Ngau Kin 14

" Feet—Ngau Kerk 14

" Kidneys—Ngau Yiu 14

" Tail—Ngau Mei 16

" Liver—Ngau Con 16

" Tripe (unwashed)—Ngau To 9

" Calves' Head and Feet—Ngau-chai 75

" tau-kek 75

Mutton Chop—Yeung Pui Kwat 24

" Leg—Yeung Pui 24

Shipping.

Arrivals.
Devawongse, Ger. s.s., 1,057, Kumpel, 1st July, —Bangkok 25th June, Rice.—B. & S.
Chiyo Maru, Jap. s.s., 1,082, Kitaka, 2nd July, —Chinkiang 26th June, Gen.—Kwong Man Wo.
Coromandel, Dr. s.s., 2,783, Montford, 2nd July, —Bombay 17th June, and Singapore 27th, Mails, Opium and Twist.—F. & O. S. N. Co.
Glenatney, Dr. s.s., 1,944, Stevenson, R.N.R., 2nd July, —Swatow 1st July, Ballast.—McG. B. & G.
Rohilla Maru, Jap. s.s., 2,399, Bishop, 2nd July, —Manila 30th June, Gen.—T. K. K.

Clearances at the Harbour Office.

San Cheong, for Canton.
Hoi Ho, for Canton.
Clara Jehsen, for Haiphong.
Michael Jehsen, for Haiphong.
Chiyo Maru, for Canton.
Wuchung, for Haiphong.
Pak Kong, for Macao.
Jasumi Maru, for Singapore.
Siberia, for Shanghai.
Taichong, for Haiphong.
Ayr, for Kutchinotzu.
Kwongchow, for Canton.

Departures.

Siberia, for San Francisco.
Argo, for Mojito.
Andree Rickmers, for Bangkok.
Labor, for Kuratsu.
Haitching, for Coas Ports.
Hakata Maru, for Kobe.
Saveria, for Singapore.
Tydus, for Yokohama.
Triton, for Swatow.
Michael Jehsen, for Pakhoi.
Glenatney, for Amoy.
Wosung, for Shanghai.

Passengers arrived.

Per Devawongse, from Bangkok—Messrs. Frank Carter, Grotjahn, and 25 Chinese.
Per Coromandel, for Hongkong from London—Miss M. E. North, and Mrs. Wintour's amah.
From Bombay—Mr. Hagi Abdullah.
From Colombo—Mrs. Whitlow, infant and amah.
From Singapore—Messrs. Li Lan, Lai Ping Tong, Yap Yui Yeok, Rozza, Perpetro, and 2 Chinese assistant. For Shanghai from London—Capt. N. G. Thompson, and Mrs. Robertson's amah.

Per Rosetta Maru, from Manila—Messrs. Chan Yui, Kan Wan Chong, Ng Tong, Lee Tung Kwai, Tsang Chuan Sun, Lai Chun Sun, Leung Kin Cho, Chan Ngan Nam, Ho Yuen, Kam Cheong Wing, Gao Cui, Tan Guan Sui, Tan Piao, Tan Chiu Co, Tan Liong Guico, Chan Shan Chan Co, Miss Shise Hirooka, Mr. R. Nakamura, Mrs. Toyo Shibata, Messrs. Lee Hon, Joo Peng Qui, Tan Tin, Dy Peng Co, Tao Chan Yee, Lim Cao, Z. Joe, Tan Gieng Co, Miss Hsue Hamada, Messrs. M. Kumagi, M. Ota, Jukichi Saida, Lai Fook, Lai Ping Sain, and Lai Yuen.
Per Rohilla Maru, from Manila—Messrs. Blake, A. Catro, Mrs. and Miss Morteri, and 52 Chinese.

Passengers departed.

Per Hakata Maru, for Japan—Messrs. M. Kobayashi, N. Niki, F. A. Hazeland, D. T. Honda, Dr. J. Nakagawa, Messrs. G. Eng Siki, T. Ishii, R. McPhee, J. Newman, J. Kerr, S. Takagaki, Dr. K. Nagino, Messrs. C. Castillo, M. Ponce, Misses Nirol (2), and Mr. S. Miyata.
Per Rosetta Maru, for Manila—Messrs. George Wright, O. D. Miller, Ho Fan, Cheung Chay, Mrs. R. W. Brown and amah, Mrs. I. F. Case, Mr. and Mrs. George F. Witton, Messrs. Miguel Henry, W. C. Welborn, Mrs. G. A. Nugent, Mr. Jas. A. Dalton, U.S.A., Lieut. and Mrs. A. Oliver, U.S.A., Messrs. John Siefert, Joseph Barkley, Max. Welk, Charles Case, F. S. Allen, J. Levy, Misses Adela Henry, Maria Henry, Mr. T. P. Jackson, Miss F. Lopez, Mr. Russell Colegrove, Miss Kio Fukuda, Messrs. W. N. Chandler, Rosendo Luis, Thos. McMillan, F. R. French, Jas. Docherty, Ng Kam, Ng Cheong, Lee Sic Pang and Quieng Hian Hui.
Per Siberia, for Shanghai—Messrs. F. A. Rapp, R. H. Kirchhoff, Lieut. Rhodes, Messrs. Balwin, Mourrette, Capt. C. W. Mead and native servant, Mrs. Doonal, and W. D. Nandor. For Nagasaki—Messrs. S. Nakayama, A. Viaveanos, W. S. Harrison, Misses Ohtoki and Ohye. For Yokohama—Mr. S. Fuleher, Lieut. H. A. Herbert, Col. and Mrs. Forbes and Miss Woodward. For Honolulu—Mr. Yuen Cheong, Mrs. Wing Shie, Messrs. Lee Pay, Lee Young Fon, Look Tan Chong and Lok Chong. For San Francisco—Capt. J. H. Whitehead, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Curtis, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Lewton, Mrs. V. F. Pack, Messrs. Geo. A. Led rie, M. H. Hicks Beach, Capt. Maddock, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Pitcher, Messrs. E. O. Johnson, P. D. Cornan, John H. French, Capt. J. J. Pershing, U.S.A., Messrs. Curtis, Jr. Lew Hin and native servant, Mrs. Chun Shee and native servant, Mr. Sing Quong, Miss Lee Pan, Master Lee Sing, Messrs. Lee Kow, Lee Lee Lung Yuen, Mrs. Jung Shee, Miss Lee Tou Wan, Lieut. G. Kitchner, R.N., Mrs. I. case, Miss-Allice Worcester, Master Worcester, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Worcester, Miss I. Omura, Messrs. Low Quong Fong, How Gin He and Wong Yau Choy.

Shipping Reports.

Str. Glenatney from Swatow—Light S.W. wind, a d moderate swell, frequent rain squalls.

Ships Expected.

Vessels	From	Agents	Due
Ischia	Singapore	C. & Co.	July 3
Tartar	Shanghai	C. P. R. Co.	July 5
Empress of Japan	Japan	C. P. R. Co.	July 6
Lightning	Singapore	U. S. & Co.	July 6
Indravelli	Japan	P. & A. Co.	July 7
Prinz Heinrich	Singapore	M. & Co.	July 8
Preussen	Japan	M. & Co.	July 8
America Maru	Japan	T. K. K.	July 8
Australian	P. Darwin	G. L. & Co.	July 9
Kasuga Maru	Taipei Id.	N. Y. K.	July 9
Kumsang	Calcutta	J. M. & Co.	July 14
Hyades	Victoria	N. P. Co.	July 16

Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Returns.

Vessels	From	Agents	Due
Taiyuan	at Kowloon Dock		
Pathfinder	"	"	"
Antonio Macleod	"	"	"
Chuentiao	"	"	"
Carl Diederichsen	"	"	"
San Joaquin	"	"	"
Shantung	"	"	"
Laisang	"	"	"
Wongkoi	Cosmopolitan	"	"

Vessels in Port.

STEAMERS.

Antonio Macleod, Am. s.s., Ugarta, 15th June,
—Hoiho 10th June, Gen.—B. & Co.

Atholl, Br. s.s., 3,031, Porter, 28th June,—San
Francisco 26th May, Yokohama 20th June,
and Moji 23rd June,—C. G. S. Co.

Ayr, Br. s.s., 1,955, Gibson, 3rd June,—Moji
24th June, Coal.—M. B. K.

Borneo, Ger. s.s., 1,341, Muhle, 25th June,—
Sandakan 20th June, Timber and Gen.—
M. & Co.

Carl Diederichsen, Ger. s.s., 774, Schlaikier,
28th June,—Hoihow 27th June, Rice and
Gen.—J. & Co.

Chingtu, Br. s.s., 1,459, Howie, 30th June,—
Yokohama via Kobe and Moji 20th June,
Gen.—B. & S.

Clara Jehsen, Ger. s.s., 1,714, Bendixen, 1st
July,—Haiphong 27th June, and Hoihow
30th, Rice and Gen.—Jebson & Co.

Coptic, Br. s.s., 2,744, Rinder, 30th June,—San
Francisco 3rd June, and Shanghai 28th,
Mails and Gen.—O. & O. S. Co.

Hailan, Fr. s.s., 377, Andersen, 1st July,—
Pakhoi and Hoihow 30th June, Gen.—A.
R. M.

Holstein, Ger. s.s., 985, Lorenzen, 30th June,—
Saigon 6th June, Rice and Gen.—
Jebson & Co.

Idzumi Maru, Jap. s.s., 2,301, Vagi, 30th June,—
Moji 25th June, Gen.—N. Y. K.

Kish, Br. s.s., 3,147, Robertson, 23rd June,—
New York via Singapore and Manila 20th June,
Gen.—S. T. & Co.

Laisang, Br. s.s., 2,225, Cou tney, 28th June,—
Singapore 22nd June, Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Pompey, Am. s.s., 1,200, Range, 28th May,—
Manila, P.I. 25th May, Ballast.—U. S. Government.

Progress, Ger. s.s., 682, Bremer, 20th June,—
Touane 27th June, Gen.—S. & Co.

Quarta, Ger. s.s., 1,146, Johannesen, 28th June,—
Mauritius 6th June, Sugar.—S. W. & Co.

Rajabur, Ger. s.s., 1,187, Wendig, 30th June,—
Bangkok via Kolsichang 24th June, Rice.—
B. & S.

Roby, Br. s.s., 1,611, Almond, 29th June,—
Manila 27th June, Gen.—S. T. & Co.

San Joaquin, Am. s.s., 237, Goldie, 26th Apr.,—
from Apari, Ballast.—Order.

Savoia, Ger. s.s., 2,595, Delnat, 29th June,—
Vladivostok and Mororan 21st June, Coal and
Gen.—H. A. L.

Tacoma, Am. s.s., 1,689, Dixon, 25th June,—
Tacoma, Wash. U.S.A. 25th May, Mails and
Gen.—D. & Co., Ltd.

Taichong, Ger. s.s., 828, Wiebking, 1st July,—
Haiphong and Hoihow 30th June, Rice and
Pig, &c.—A. R. M.

Taifu, Ger. s.s., 1,063, Menzell, 20th June,—
Mauritius via Singapore 14th June, Gen.—
E. A. T. Co.

Tetartus, Ger. s.s., 1,578, Desler, 30th June,—
Singapore and Hoihow 23rd June, Rice.—
S. & Co.

Tiempo, Br. s.s., 1,399, Williamson, 29th June,—
Saigon 25th June, Rice and Flour, &c.—
Nam Wo & Co.

Tiempo, Br. s.s., 1,399, Williamson, 29th June,—
Saigon 25th June, Rice and Flour, &c.—
Nam Wo & Co.

SAILING VESSELS.

Vessels	To	Agents	Due
Alcides, Br. ship, 2,192, Dart, 22nd June, —New York 21st Feb, Case Oil.—S. O. Co.			
Boldfield, Fr. bq., 1,241, Harong, 24th June, —New York 15th Dec, Kerosine.—S. O. Co.			
Columbia, Am. sch., 772, Sprague, 27th Mar., —B. & S.			
Connatable Richmond, Fr. bq., 1,732, Rault, 5th June, —New York 1st Dec, Kerosine.—S. O. Co.			
Dharwar, Swed. bq., 1,270, Larsson, 11th Apr., —Fremantle 13th Dec, Sandalwood.—J. M. & Co.			
Grosvenor, Br. bq., 516, Boga, 14th June, —Mauritius 16th Jan, Sugar.—A. & Co.			
Kentmere, Br. 4-masted bq., 2,437, Burch, 27th Apr., —Shanghai 20th Apr, Ballast.—S. O. Co.			
Pierre Anonine, Fr. bq., 1,740, Retegnet, 1st Apr., —New York 3rd Oct, Oil.—Order.			
Prince Albert, Norw. ship, 1,498, Hansen, 10th June, —Fremantle 29th Apr, Sandalwood.—Gilman & Co.			

Ships Passed the Canal.

Outward—2nd June—Horsley, Baguagem Marguier, 9th June—Glenyle, Khalif, Benlow, Adams, Salsuna, Mogul, 12th June—Sibila, Maronthe, Indram, Dardanis, Machan, Manaton, Waishing, 16th June—Alasia, 10th June—Awa Maru, Breichkel, Braemar, Barton, Dioded, 24th June—Palawan, Benglar, Solvick, 26th June—Eva, 1st July—Bamberg, Patroschi, Sachten, Devonshire.

Homeward—16th June—Caledonien, 19th June—Yarra, 23rd June—Agamennon, Zieten, 24th June—Prinz Heinrich, 25th June—Candia, Salasia, Bombay, 1st July—Kanae Maru.

Arrivals at Home—16th June—Freiburg, 18th June—Socotra, 19th June—Bayern, 23rd June—Wakasa Maru, Caledonien, 25th June—Sibila, 1st July—Jason, Richmond Castle.

Post Office.

A Mail will close for:—

Haiphong—Per Taichong, 3rd inst., 9 A.M.
Canton—Per Kinshan, 3rd inst., 9.30 A.M.
Macao—Per Hengshan, 3rd inst., 1.15 P.M.
Ningpo and Shanghai—Per Takang, 3rd inst., 2 P.M.
Manila—Per Yuensang, 3rd inst., 3 P.M.
Singapore—Per Yuensang, 3rd inst., 4 P.M.
Kunchuk and Samshu—Per Tung tong, 3rd inst., 4 P.M.
Chefoo and Newchwang—Per Quarta, 3rd inst., 4 P.M.
Nantao—Per Taile, 3rd inst., 5 P.M.
Canton—Per Fatshan, 3rd inst., 5 P.M.
Manila, Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne—Per Chinglu, 4th inst., 11 A.M.
Kobe, Nagasaki, Gensan and Vladivostok—Per Savia, 6th inst., 11 A.M.
Manila—Per Rohilla Maru, 7th inst., 10 A.M.
Kobe—Per Taiyuan, 7th inst., 11 A.M.
Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, (B.C.) and Tacoma—Per Tacoma, 7th inst., 11 A.M.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta—Per Laisang, 7th inst., 11 A.M.
Europe, &c., India, via Tuticorin—Per Prasanna, 9th inst., 11 A.M.
Manila—Per Zafra, 11th inst., 9 A.M.
Singapore, Penang and Bombay—Per Ischia, 13th inst., 11.30 A.M.
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Vancouver, B.C.—Per Empress of Japan, 15th inst., 11 A.M.
Samarang and Sourabaya—Per Shantung, 15th inst., 4 P.M.
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, Vancouver, B.C.—Per Tairar, 22nd inst., 11 A.M.

THE WEATHER.

The following report is from Mr. F. G. Figg, Acting Director of the Hongkong Observatory:—

On the 2nd at 11.35 a.m. The barometer has fallen over E. Japan, risen over W. Japan, and the coast of China.
The depression is moving E.N.E. over the S.E. part of the Sea of Japan. Pressure is relatively high between the E. coast of China and W. Japan, and over the S. part of the China Sea.
Moderate E. winds in the Formosa Channel, and moderate S.W. monsoon over the N. part of the China Sea.
Forecast:—S.W. or variable winds, light or moderate; thundershowers.

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER REPORT.

	On date at 10 a.m.	On date at 4 p.m.
Barometer	29.73	29.69
Temperature	83	83
Humidity	83	85
Rainfall	0.05	—

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	Bar.	Th.	Hu.	Wind	Wr.
Vladivostok, 7 a.m.	29.69	56	99	W	2
Yokohama, 6 a.m.	29.83	—	—	NE	6
Hakodate, 6 a.m.	29.66	—	—	E	4
Kobe, 6 a.m.	29.47	—	—	S	2
Tokio, 6 a.m.	29.55	—	—	N	8
Taichu, 6 a.m.	29.75	—	—	—	—
Nagasaki, 6 a.m.	29.83	—	—	—	—
Kagoshima, 6 a.m.	29.76	—	—	NW	2
Oshima, 6 a.m.	29.77	—	—	NW	2
Naha, 6 a.m.	29.78	—	—	S	2
Ishigakijima, 6 a.m.	29.74	—	—	—	—
Taihou, 6 a.m.	29.75	—	—	—	—
Tainan, 6 a.m.	29.77	—	—	SE	2
Koshu, 6 a.m.	29.77	—	—	NW	2
Pescadore, 6 a.m.	29.77	—	—	S	6
Weihowai, 9 a.m.	29.74	80	—	W	2
Gutlaif, 9 a.m.	29.91	74	81	SE	1
Swatow, 9 a.m.	29.80	74	88	NNE	3
Amoy, 9 a.m.	29.70	80	91	ENE	1
Swatow, 10 a.m.	29.78	81	95	W	1
Hongkong, 10 a.m.	29.78	81	95	W	1
Victoria Peak, 10 a.m.	29.76	—	—	SSW	3
Gap Rock, 10 a.m.	29.76	—	—	SSW	3
Macao, 10 a.m.	29.77	81	—	WSW	1
Haiphong, 10 a.m.	29.83	90	66	W	1
Manila, 10 a.m.	29.83	90	66	W	1
Malate, 10 a.m.	29.83	90	66	W	1
Bacolod, 10 a.m.	29.84	83	—	E	1
Cebu, 10 a.m.	29.85	83	—	N	1
C. St. James, 10 a.m.	29.85	83	—	N	1

VISITORS AT THE HOTELS.

HONGKONG.	KING EDWARD.	CONNAUGHT.	OCCIDENTAL.	PEAK.	CRAIGIEBURN.	KOWLOON.
Anderson, Mr.	Hooper, Mr. and Mrs.	Bond, H. N.	Adamsen, Mrs. and Keney, F. O.	Allis, Mr. and Mrs. F. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. P. B. and child	Blase, Miss	Curran, Capt. D. J.
Andrews, H. W.	Howard, Thos.	Campbell, R. E., Lieut.	family	B. and child	Caulfield, Master and Lambelle, Lieut. and nurse	Griffin, Jas. Wm.
Anton, A. S.	Icely, Rev. F.	j. R.	Chowchow, Capt. R.	Allison, A.	Gaskell, Mr. and Mrs. Moss, D. K.	Kinship, Capt.
Begley, H. T.	Jamieson, Mrs.	Colbert, P. D.	Curtis, W. W.	Barnett, Dr.	Harvey, Lieut. and Struckmeyer, O.	Jewell, Frank F.
Black, Mr. and Mrs.	Jamieson, Mr.	Darby, A. J.	Dabbs, W.	Beattie, Andrew	Harris, Paul H.	
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Bonner, E. A.	Katsch, E. A.	Dufour, Mrs. B.	Donald, W. H.	Henson, A. P. D., Major	Hickman, Jas.	
Bonnet, F.	Leggatt, E. A.	Hesse, E.	Harris, Paul H.	and Mrs. H. G.	Kastmann, K.	
Bowers, Dr.	Macgowan, R. J.	Houghton, R.	Hastings, C. E.	Berkley, H.		
Brown, W. S.	Mandsley, W.	Lee, G. E.	Hastings, Miss C. E.	Berne, Gilbert		
Buck, Hart	Marriott, Dr. A.		Hickman, Jas.	Bernard, Mrs.		
Carter, Frank	Mast, Sydney		Kastmann, K.	Brown, Mrs. R. W.		
Clarke, W. G.	Mast, Mr. E.			Brusse, George		
Colson, F. T.	Mercecki, J.			Bunny, Major and Mrs.		
Dawson, Mrs. F.	Miller, P. L.			J. W. and children		
Dean, G.	Murphy, Mr. and Mrs. E. O.			Chapman, Mr. & Mrs.		
Derbyshire, J. H.	Oswald, Mrs.			A. Philpot, Leonard D.		
Douglas, R.	Parfit, W.			Chichester, Maj. A. A.		
Douglas, Capt. & Mrs. J.	Pascual, C.			French, A. S. C., Major		
Downing, T. C.	Potts, W. H.			G. A.		
Dunn, Mr. and Mrs. J. E.	Reid, H. J.			Gibson, Dr. Robert		
Edwards, F. W.	Skott, C.			Grant, G. C. Lindsay		
Ellis, Mr. and Mrs. A.	Thomas, J. A.			Hamilton, Major A. B.		
Emerson, A.	Thomson, Dr. J. C.			hewitt, F. T. Baines		
Fisher, H. G.	Walker, Mr. and Mrs. W. B.			Hibbe, F.		
C. P. and maid	Watkins, C. G.			Hobbs, H. U.		
Georg, C.	White, Jas. W.			Joseph, Mr. and Mrs. E. J.		
Glover, C.	Woolmer, Mr. & Mrs.					
Grant, F. A.	Wright, Mr. and Mrs. C. Gordon					
Haughwout, W. B.	Wynn, T. J.					
Hill, L. D.						

THE SHARE MARKET.

STOCKS.	PAID UP VALUE.	LAST DIVIDEND.	TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.
BANKS.			
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.....	\$ 125	{ Div. of £1.10/- and bonus of 10/- @ 1/7 = \$25.26 for half-year ending 31/12/1902.	\$680 b.
National Bank of China, Ltd.....	£ 8	3 1/4 = \$1.96 1/2 for 1902	\$27 1/2
Do. Founders.....	£ 1	None	\$10
MARINE INSURANCES.			
Union In. Society of C'lon, Ltd.	\$ 100	60 per cent = \$30 per share for 1901	\$500
China Traders' In. Co., Ltd.	\$ 25	16 % = \$4 for year ended 30/4/1902.....	\$50
North China In. Co., Ltd.	£ 25	Interim of 1/2 for 1902.....	Tls. 220
Yangtze In. Association, Ltd.	\$ 60	20 % = \$12 for 1901	\$130
anton In. Office, Ltd.	\$ 50	28 % = \$14 per share for 1901	\$180 b.
FIRE INSURANCES.			
Hongkong Fire In. Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$22 per share for 1901	\$130
China Fire In. Co., Ltd.	\$ 20	\$6 per share for 1901	\$85 sa.
SHIPPING.			
Hongkong, Canton, & Macao S. B. Co., Ltd.	\$ 15	\$1 1/2 for half-year ending 31/12/1902	\$38 b.
Indo-China S. N. Co., Ltd.	£ 10	Fin. of 12/- making £ 1 for 1901	\$105
China & Manilla S. S. Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	10 % for 1900	\$25
Douglas S. S. Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	Div. of \$3 for year ended 30/8/1902.....	\$24
"Star" Ferry Co., Ltd.	\$ 5	\$1.20 = 1 1/2 % for year ending 30/4/03	\$27 b.
"Shell" Transport & Trading Co., Ltd.	£ 1	3rd Interim of 6d. for 1902	\$14/- s.
Taku Tug & Lighter Co., Ltd.	Tls. 50	Final of 5 % making 7 % for the year	Tls. 48 s.
Shanghai Tug Boat Co., Ltd.	Tls. 100	Final of 7 % making 20 % for 1902.....	Tls. 345 b.
hanghai Cargo B. Co., Ltd.	Tls. 100	Final of 7 % making 13 % for 1902.....	Tls. 172 1/2 b.
Co-operative Cargo B. Co., Ltd.	Tls. 100	Final of 7 % making 13 % for 1902.....	Tls. 172 1/2 b.
REFINERIES.			
China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	\$ 100	Fin. of \$7 making \$12 for 1901	\$103
Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	\$ 100	\$3 per share for 1897	\$10
Perak Sugar Cultivation Co., Ltd.	£ 50	Fin. of 7 % for year ending 30.9.02	Tls. 70 s.
MINING.			
Punjom Mining Co., Ltd.	\$ 11	None	\$2 1/2 b.
Punjom Mining Preference Shares	\$ 1	None	25 cts. b.
Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin	Fr. 250	Int. of Frs. 30 per share for 1902	\$600
Jezebu Mining & Trading Co., Ltd.	\$ 5	No. 9 of 5 % for 1/2-year end. 31.7.94	\$1 1/2 s.
Raub Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	£ 10.18.10	No. 12 of 1/- per share 28.1.01	\$9
Chinese Engineering & Mining Co., Ltd.	£ 1	No. 1 of 1/6 per share 10.1.002	Tls. 7 s.
DOCKS, WHARVES AND GODOWNS.			
Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	10 % & bonus 2 % for 1/2 year 31.12.02.....	\$215
S. C. Farnham, Boyd & Co., Ltd.	Tls. 100	Interim of Tls. 7	Tls. 182 1/2 sa.
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	Final of \$2 1/2 making \$4 1/2 for 1902	\$90 s.
New Amoy Dock Co., Ltd.	\$ 6 1/2	\$2 1/2 for 1901	\$40 b.
Shanghai & Hongkew Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd.	Tls. 100	Final of Tls. 12 making Tls. 18 for 1902	Tls. 287 1/2 sa.
LANDS, HOTELS AND BUILDINGS.			
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	8 % = 80 cents per share for 1902	\$9 1/2 b.
Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd.	\$ 100	Final of \$6 making \$12 for 1902	\$161
K'loon Land & Building Co., Ltd.	\$ 30	\$2.30 per share for 1902	\$37 1/2 b.
West Point Building Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	Final of \$1.60 making \$3.10 for 1902.....	\$51 b.
Hongkong Hotel Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$6 for 2nd 1/2-year making \$12 for 1902.....	\$154
Oriente Hotel Co., Ltd. (Manilla)	\$ 50	8 % = \$4 for 1/2-year ending 31.12.1900	\$40 b.
Astor House Hotel Co., Ltd.	\$ 25	15 % for half-year ending 31.12.01	\$31 s.
Hotel des Colonies Co., Ltd.	Tls. 25	6 % for year ending 31.3.03	Tls. 15 1/2 s.
Queen's Hotel (Wei-hai-wei)	Tls. 25	First year	Tls. 25
Humphreys Estate & Finance Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	9 per cent. for 1902	\$12
Shai Land Investment Co., Ltd.	Tls. 50	Final of 6 % making 12 % for 1902	Tls. 108 sa.
COTTON MILLS.			
Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving & Dyeing Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	Interim of 40 cents per share.....	\$16 s.
Ewo Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	Tls. 100	3 % for period ended 31.10.97	Tls. 38 s.
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	Tls. 100	Interim of 3 % on account of 1898	Tls. 40 s.
Laau-kung-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	Tls. 100	Interim div. of 4 % on acct. of 1898	Tls. 40 b.
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	Tls. 500	4 % for period ended 31.12.00.....	Tls. 200
CIGAR AND TOBACCO COMPANIES.			
Alhambra, Ltd.	\$ 500	25 % for year ending 30.6.1900	\$250
Philippine Tobacco Trust Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	None	\$15 b.
Shanghai Sumatra Tobacco Co., Ltd.	Tls. 20	{ Final of Tls. 2.60 making Tls. 4.60 for year ending 31.10.02	Tls. 52 sa.
MISCELLANEOUS.			
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	12 % = \$1.20 per share for 1902	\$24 1/2
China-Borneo Co., Ltd.	\$ 12	First year	\$10
A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	Interim of 5 % for 1902	\$14 1/2 sa.
Watkins, Ltd.	\$ 10	\$1 per share for 1902	\$7 1/2 s.
Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	80 cents for year ending 30.4.1902	\$13 1/2 b.
Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.	\$ 5	40 cents for year ending 30.4.1902	\$7 1/2 b.
Hongkong & China Gas Co., Ltd.	£ 10	10 % div. and 1 % bonus for 1901	\$140 b.
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$10 for 1902	\$140 sa.
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Ltd.	\$ 25	15 per cent = \$3.75 for 1902	\$40 s.
Hongkong Ice Co., Ltd.	\$ 25	Final of \$12, making \$16 for 1902.....	\$240
Hongkong High-Level Tramways Co., Ltd.	\$ 100	\$18 for year ending 31.11.1902	\$320 sa.
Dairy Farm Co., Ltd.	\$ 6	75 cents for year ending 31.7.1902	\$12
Hongkong & China Bakery Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	5 per cent = \$2 1/2 for 1901	\$40 s.
Campbell, Moore & Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	Div. of \$2 1/2 for 1902	\$40 s.
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Ltd.	£ 10.12.6	\$5 1/2 b.
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Ltd.	\$ 4	80 cents for year ending 31.5.02.....	\$9 1/2 b.
Do. Founders.....	\$ 10	\$19.80 for year end. 31.5.02 acct. 1903	\$155
Hongkong Steam Water-boat Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	Interim of 6 %	\$14 b.
China Light & Power Co., Ltd.	\$ 20	None	\$6 b.
Robinson Piano Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	5 % = \$2 1/2 for half-year 1901.....	\$50
Manila Investment Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	None	\$15 b.
William Powell, Ltd.	\$ 10	Final of 50 cents for half-year 30.6.02	\$10
Maatschappij tot Mijn. Bosch. en Landbouw exploitatie in Langkat, Limited	Gulders 100	{ 3rd Interim Dividend of Tls. 7 1/2 and bonus of Tls. 2 1/2 per share paid 15.6.1903	Tls. 307 1/2 sa.
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